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# JOHN HANCOCK

## FOREWORD

In this book we write of the history of the Town of Hancock. Our story is largely one of the past. Although largely historical we do not present it as a complete history of the town; but rather as a book to be read for entertainment. Care has been taken to write the authentic facts as far as history is brought into the work, and for many of these facts, we give credit to a book written in 1870 by Thomas Foss, copies of which are now scarce.

THE EDITORS

This book was written and printed by the author in the year 1870, and is now being reprinted by the author, and is hereby dedicated to the town of Hancock, and to the people of the town of Hancock.





# JOHN HANCOCK

American Revolutionary statesman, was born at Quincy, Massachusetts, January 12, 1737. Having taken his degree at Harvard University in 1754, he began a mercantile career, and on the death of an uncle in 1764 succeeded to a large fortune and a prosperous business. In 1768, two years after his election to the Massachusetts House of Representatives by the City of Boston, his sloop "Liberty" was seized for contravention of the commercial laws, and in the riot which followed the royal customs commissioners barely escaped with their lives. After the "Massacre" of Boston in 1770, Hancock inveighed with such spirit and bitterness against the troops and their officers, demanding their removal from the town, that he became obnoxious to the Government; and five years afterwards the attempt to seize his person led to the first Revolutionary battle at Concord, Massachusetts. In 1774 Hancock was President of the Provincial Congress, and from 1775 to 1777 of the General Congress at Philadelphia, where he was the first to sign the Declaration of Independence. Returning to Massachusetts he assisted in framing its Constitution, and in 1780 was chosen first Governor. He was annually elected to this dignity till 1785, and again from 1787 to 1793, sitting as an ordinary member of the Legislature in the interval. He received the degree of LL.D. from Harvard University in 1792. He died at Quincy, October, 8th, 1793.

## HANCOCK

The first permanent settlement was made in the year 1764 on the Skillings River by Captain Agreen Crabtree, great-grandfather of Alfred B. Crabtree, who built his

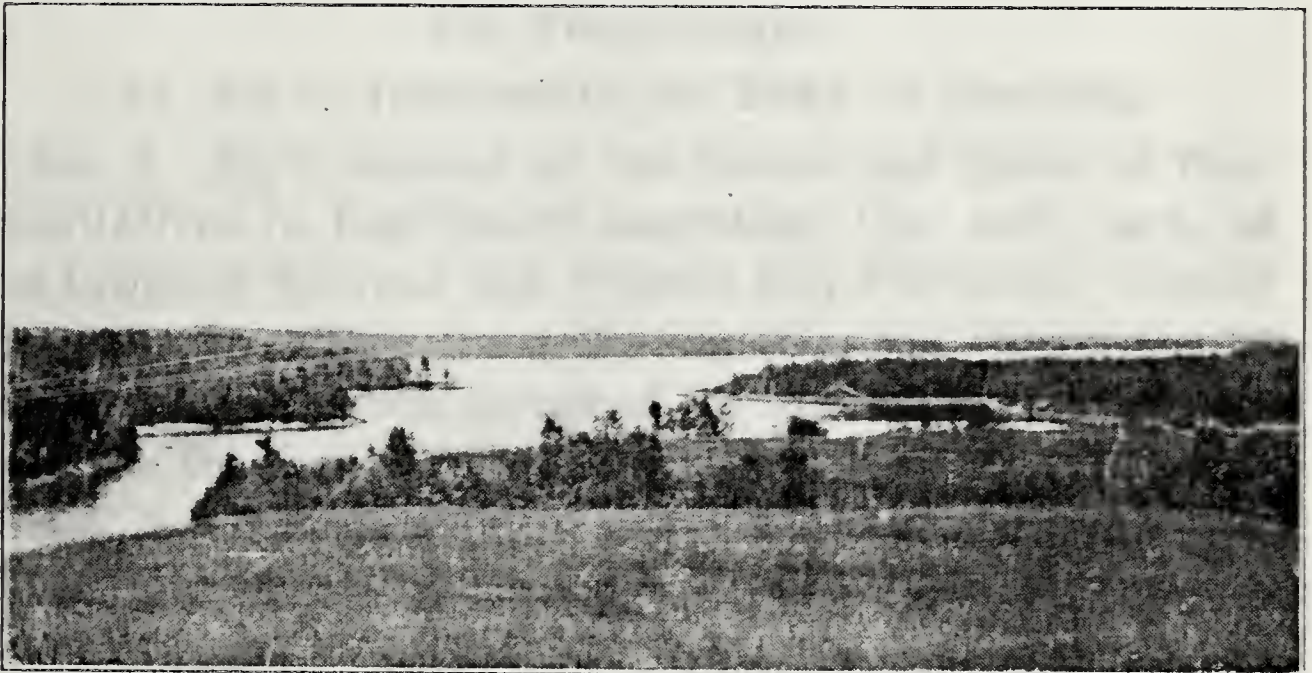




cabin on a point of land which was afterwards known as "Crabtree's Point," now known as "Old Point," on the farm now owned by Ivory H. Foss.

He lived on the place where he first settled through the Revolutionary War and was a staunch patriot. He built a fort on his farm to defend himself against the British, the remains of the old wall may still be seen.

Philip Hodgkins located on the point of land next south, known by the name of "Fish Point," on the farm of the late



PETTINGILL'S POINT

Capt. Ivory H. Foss. Pettingill's Point on the farm now owned by Hervey B. Scammons south of the above-mentioned point was settled by Shimuel Hodgkins. The father of Shimuel Hodgkins settled near by on the farm of the late Capt. Jeremiah Wooster, now owned by Charles Colwell.

These first settlers built a saw mill and also a grist mill. Their dam extended from the Old Point to Hill's Island and from this island to Potter's Point. Hill's Island was named from a Thomas Hill who built a house and lived for a time at this place; he was one of the twelve who





organized the Baptist Church in Sullivan in 1810 and was chosen Deacon.

The town of Sullivan was surveyed by order of the General Court of Massachusetts in 1803 and the inhabitants had their lots of one hundred acres by paying five dollars each.

Hancock was incorporated Feb. 21, 1828, being made up from parts of Sullivan, Trenton, and Plantation No. 8.

#### STATE OF MAINE

In the Year of Our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Twenty-eight.

#### An Act to Incorporate the Town of Hancock.

Sec. 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, that such parts of the towns of Sullivan and Trenton and Plantation Number Eight as lie within the following line, viz., Beginning at the present northwest corner of the town of Trenton, thence north by the east line of the town of Ellsworth to the north line of the French grant or grant to DeGregoire and wife, thence on the said line of the French grant to the west line of the town of Franklin, thence south by the said line to the southwest corner of the town of Franklin, thence east on said line and southerly through the middle of Taunton Bay to Frenchmans Bay, thence westerly up Frenchmans Bay to the southeast corner of the town of Trenton, thence northerly on the east line of Trenton to a point one mile south of the present northwest corner of the town of Sullivan, thence from said point west and parallel to the present north line of Trenton to the easterly line of the town of Ellsworth, thence by the line of Ellsworth north twenty-five degrees east to place of beginning, with the inhabitants thereon, be and hereby are incorporated into a town by the name of Hancock and vested





with all the powers and privileges and subject to the duties of other towns, provided the inhabitants thus incorporated shall be holden to pay all assessments due and remaining unpaid prior to the passing of this act.

Sec. 2. Be it further enacted that one third part of the state valuation of the town of Sullivan, one ninth of the said valuation of the town of Trenton and three fifths of the valuation of Plantation Number Eight be taken from the valuation of said towns and plantation and set to the town of Hancock.

Sec. 3. Be it further enacted, the inhabitants of that part of the town of Trenton hereby set off shall be holden to pay their proportion for the support of the paupers now chargeable to the town of Trenton so long as they shall be supported by said town.

Sec. 4. Be it further enacted, the inhabitants of that part of the towns of Trenton, Sullivan and Plantation Number Eight thus set off shall be and continue a part of the towns and plantation to which they respectively belong for the purpose of voting for Governor, Senators, Representatives, Register of Deeds and County Treasurer until the state shall be redistricted anew for the choice of Representatives.

In the House of Representatives, February 20, 1828, this bill having had three several readings, passed to be enacted.

JOHN RUGGLES,

Speaker.

In Senate, February 21, 1828, this bill having had the several readings, passed to be enacted.

ROBERT P. DUNLAP,

President.

February 21, 1828, Approved:

ENOCH LINCOLN,

Governor.





The old Sullivan line was near where the Cline and the cross roads now are.

After the war Capt. Agreen Crabtree finding his mill in a ruined condition and being dissatisfied with the location at "Crabtree's Point" (now known as "Old Point"), sold his claim to Stephen Clark and removed to the end of Crabtree's Neck to the farm later owned by the late Ephriam Crabtree. The two Hodgkins also disposed of their claims and removed to the west side of the river, now known as Marlboro; they reared large families, their sons



HODGKINS SHORE, MARLBORO

doing likewise until that side of the river was and still is known as the Hodgkins' side.

In the year 1765 Oliver Wooster and his family consisting of his wife and nine children moved from Newburyport, Mass., and settled on the farm formerly owned by the late Isaiah and Leonard Wooster; Oliver was the grandfather of the late Leonard Wooster and the great-grandfather of Charles Wooster, Roxanna Wooster Grant and Martha Wooster Walker.

Many years ago a young Irish weaver named Patrick





Googins came from Ireland and settled in Saco, Maine. In 1765 his three sons, Thomas, Rogers and Joseph, with James and Thomas McFarland and James Smith came to Skillings River. Nearly all the little party settled in the vicinity of Killkenny Stream and built a saw mill near the head of the tide water; the McFarlands took the west side and the Googins brothers the east side. One Frazier about this time settled on the lot of land formerly owned by the late Capt. Ebenezer Clark. Potter's and Hyde's Points,



KILLKENNY

also Partridge Cove, still retain the names of the original settlers.

The early settlers of Hancock had to undergo all the trials and hardships incident to pioneer life. It required a vast amount of toil to clear the forests which for centuries had been the haunt of wild beasts and the home of the Red Man, and at times their stock of provisions got very low. One year it was so cold in June that a large number of little birds perished. Many persons lived on clams and fish; in some instances potatoes were dug up in





the spring after being planted. Mr. John Springer having a lame boy, the physician ordered a poultice made of wheat flour to be applied; Mr. Springer not having any flour went through what is now North Hancock and the whole of Trenton calling at every house in search of some, and at last at one house he found about a pint which had been kept by some young ladies for starching purposes.

Mr. John Googins and Mr. Abner Lee at one time drove



THE "CARRYING PLACE"

an ox team to Boston and back after provisions and dry goods.

In 1766 Reuben, Moses and Peter Abbott with their father and mother came from Nova Scotia; they came up over the "Falls" and took up each a lot of land. At the close of the Revolution our government recognized and allowed some of the old English and French grants or claims on condition that 100 acres of land be surveyed to each actual settler who located on the claim before the expiration of a certain date. The original lots on Hancock





Neck or that part of Hancock lying easterly of the "Carrying Place" were nearly all taken up before the Revolution.

The names of some of the other original settlers and the location of their lots are as follows:

Reuben Abbott—whose lot comprised the land between the "Carrying Place" and the land now owned by Chester W. Stratton.

Moses Abbott—Whose lot includes the farm of Chester W. Stratton, Edward J. Gott and Elizabeth Oakes; he was a grandfather to Moses Abbott of Franklin, better known as Uncle Moses.

Richard Clark—Whose lot includes the farm of Charles H. Wooster, Ella Abbott Wooster, Ella Saunders, Ernest Abbott, Burton A. Merchant, and Charles P. Cook; he was a Revolutionary soldier and the great-grandfather of Joseph Tufts.

John Gatcomb—A great-grandfather of Jarvis Gatcomb who lives on a portion of the lot.

Thomas Moon—Great-grandfather of Roland H. Moon who formerly lived on a portion of the lot.

Thomas Bennett—Great-great-grandfather of Mabelle B. Stratton, whose father lived on a portion of the lot.

Charles Coates—Whose lot includes the farms of Samuel Johnston and Thadeus Smith; he was the great-grandfather of John R. Stratton.

Joseph Lancaster—Whose lot included the farms of the late John, Frank and Henry Ball; he was a great-grandfather to Phoebe Lancaster-Crabtree Hall.

Samuel Ball—Whose lot included the farm of Horace D. Ball; he was the great-great grandfather of Elinor F. Ball.

The lots now owned by Calvin B. Young and Emma





Crabtree Stratton were run out to the heirs of Stephen Merchant. Capt. Calvin Berry bought the farm now owned by C. B. Young of Reuben Merchant, a brother of Polly Merchant Stratton, grandmother of Alfred B. Crabtree.

The first "meeting house" in town was built in 1824 near where the Baptist church at South Hancock now stands; this house was torn down and the present one built in 1866,



SOUTH HANCOCK CHURCH

R. Y. Watson pastor from 1835 to 1866. In 1867 the present Union church at the Corner was built.

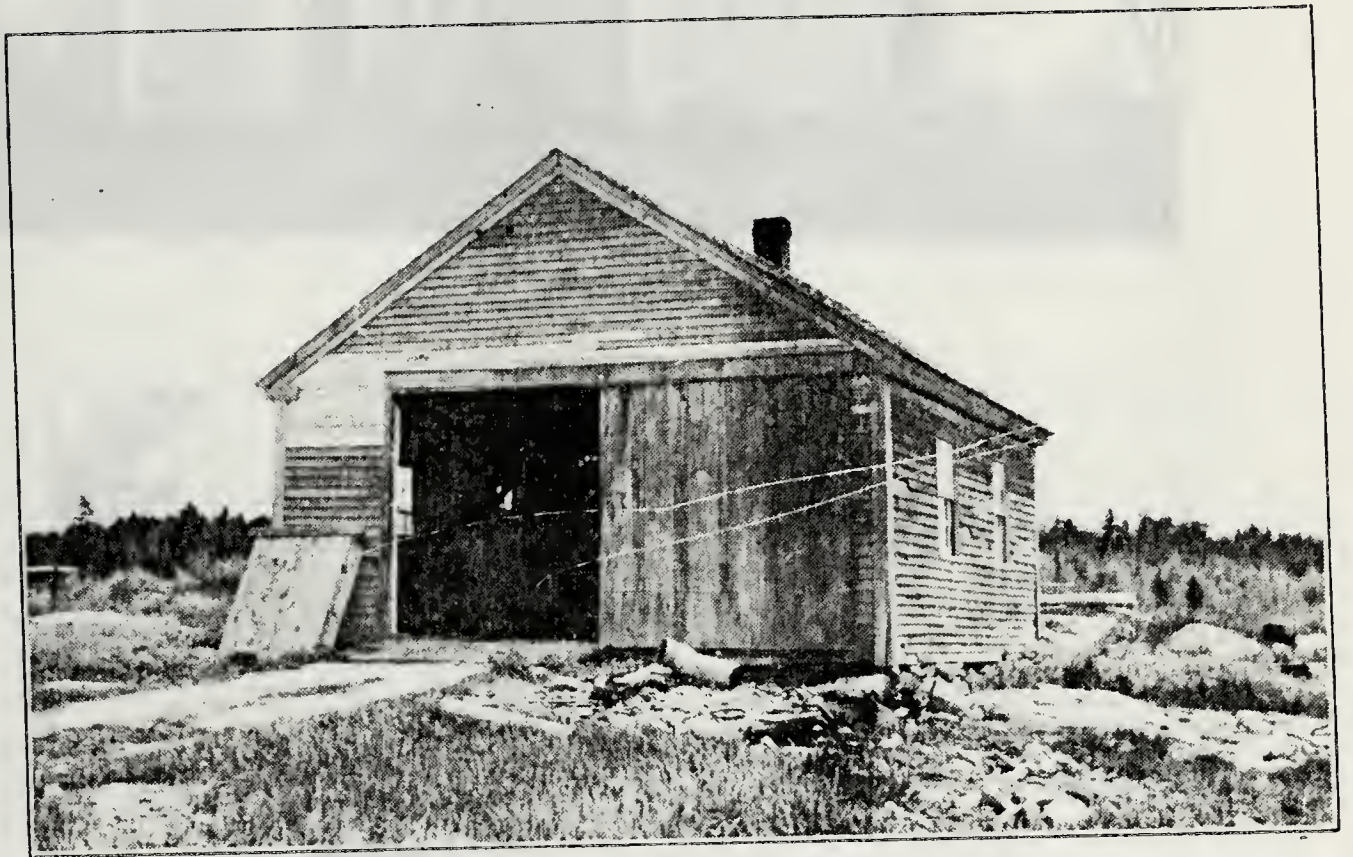
The church at the Falls district was built in 1843, mainly through the efforts of Thomas Dudley Martin, and later remodelled. Chapels were also built at Hancock Point and Marlboro.

The first schoolhouse in the Corner district was built in 1800 and was situated near where now stands the house





of Harland Abbott. The limit of the district then was from the Carrying Place hill to Grant's hill. In 1832 a brick schoolhouse was built near where the one at the Corner now stands, later another was built which in 1871 was replaced by the one now standing and the old one was sold to Capt. Ivory H. Foss who moved it about a mile to the farm of Capt. Foss and converted it into a vestry. In 1895 it was sold to Mr. Ozias B. Pettingill and is now being used as a garage by H. B. Scammons.



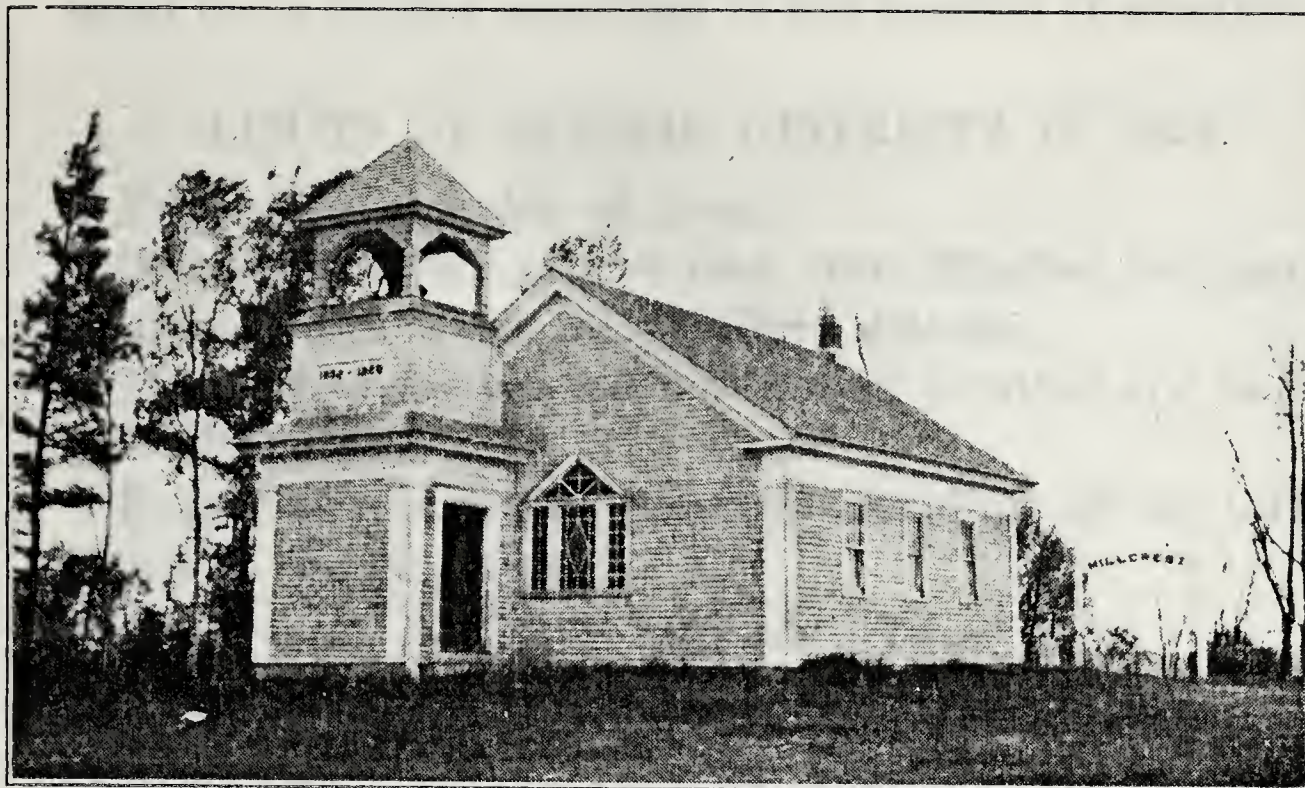
OLD SCHOOL HOUSE

### EXTRACTS FROM SCHOOL DISTRICT RECORDS

District No. 7—Martin Stratton, Town Clerk, schoolhouse built in 1832, size 20x24 feet, hip roof, 8½ ft. post, material brick, building committee, Wm. Abbott, John Stratton, Thomas Foss, Elijah Stratton, and Samuel Stratton. Laborers paid five shillings per day. Sold the old schoolhouse to Joseph Stratton for forty-nine dollars, raised nine shil-







FALL'S CHURCH



HANCOCK CHURCH





lings to buy a chair and desk, voted to have five cords of wood to be divided according to the number of scholars.

### LIMITS OF SCHOOL DISTRICTS IN 1828

First—Western side of river.

Second—Western side of neck from Eliphlet Pettingill's to George Crabtree's and William Jellison.

Third—Christopher Moon to Elijah Stratton and to Eliphlet Pettingill.

Fourth—From Elijah Stratton including all the inhabitants to the westward.

### LIMITS OF SCHOOL DISTRICTS IN 1857

No. 1—West side of Skillings River.

No. 2—West side of neck from Ephram Crabtree's to Isaac Smith's north line.

No. 3—On eastern side of neck, from Nahum Jellison's to John Stratton's.

No. 4—From Isaac Smith's north line to the county road, and from John Stratton's northwesterly line to John Stratton 2nd west line.

No. 5—From No. 4 westerly to Benjamin Joy's west line.

No. 6—From Franklin line westerly to the west line of the Egypt district so called.

No. 7—From the Egypt district on the county road to the West district in Hancock.

No. 8—The West district in the town of Hancock.

In 1835 Martin Stratton bid in the board of teacher for 85 cents per week.

Next schoolhouse built in 1846, size 23x21 ft., sold the brick in old house to Samuel Stratton for \$3.50, sold the woodwork of the old house together with glass and sash

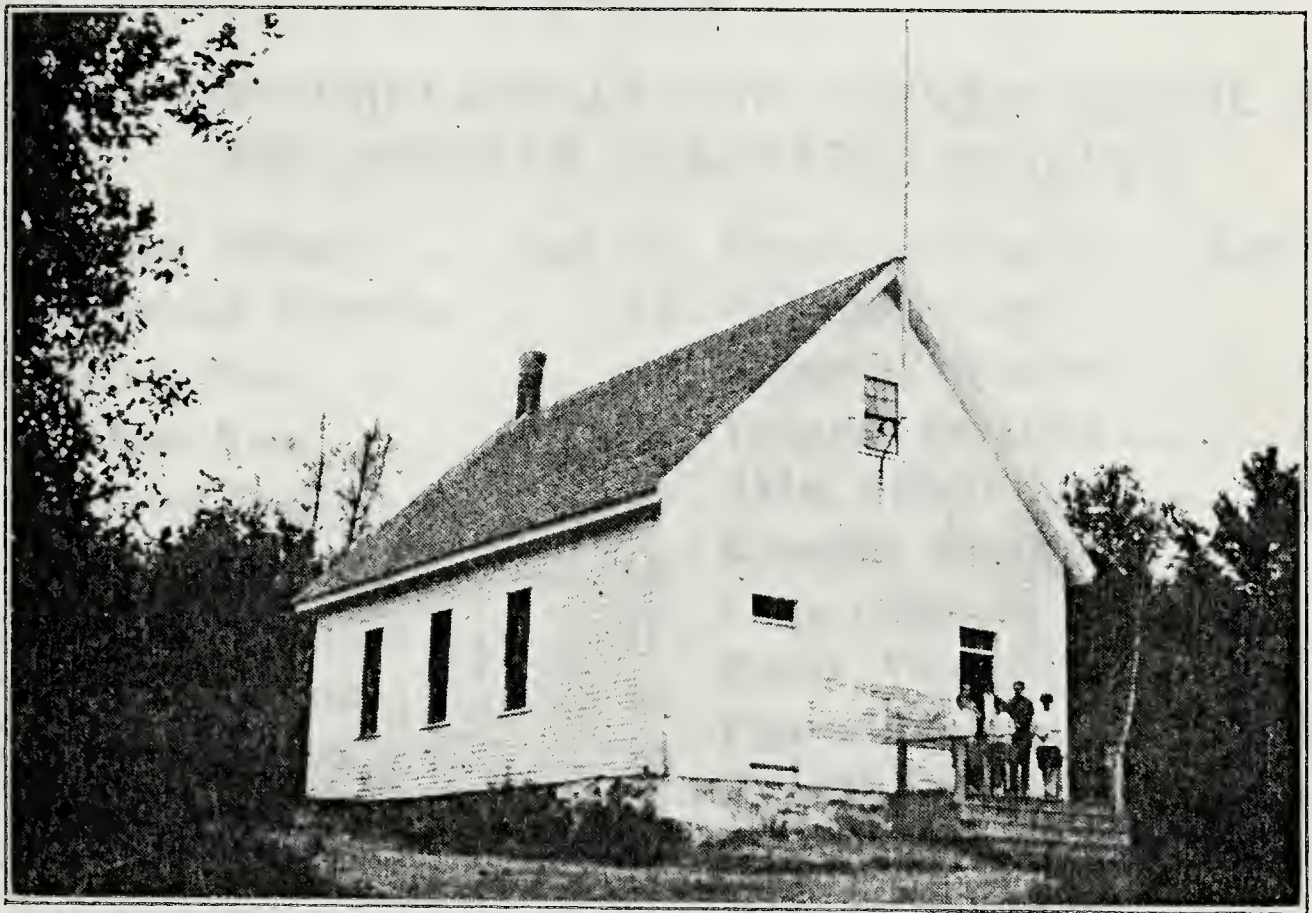




frames to Lemuel Crabtree, Jr., for \$6.40, and the stove to Hiram Foss for ten cents.

Contracted with Ramson B. Abbott to build the new house for \$184.00, furnishing material.

Present schoolhouse built in 1871, size 28x40, under contract with Peltiah Moore, \$1650, furnishing materials, the cellar and foundation to E. N. Foss for \$194. High School room finished in 1873.



WEST HANCOCK SCHOOL HOUSE BUILT IN 1853

The building committee, Calvin Berry, Samuel Stratton and Alonzo Abbott, sold the old house for fifteen dollars, underpinning for \$7.50, stove and pipe for \$1.37.

West Hancock schoolhouse built in 1853.

Marlboro schoolhouse built in 1890.

Hancock Point schoolhouse built in 1870.

Mt. Desert Ferry schoolhouse built in 1887.

Falls schoolhouse built in 1896.

Schoolhouse in Stewart district built in 1900.





The district schoolhouses were cheaply built, and record of meetings show that the voters gave more attention to fuel than to books or teachers. Fuel, books and board of teachers were paid by the parents of the children and it was estimated that three-eighths of a cord of wood, two feet long, was sufficient for each child's contribution to heat the school for the winter term, and this was voted as a poll tax and every precaution was taken that in this levy the district be not defrauded.

### LIST OF SCHOLARS AT THE CORNER SCHOOL IN 1853, EPHRIAM CRABTREE, TEACHER

Leman Abbott.....	Age 12	Howard Stratton....	Age 8
Jeremiah Stratton .....	14	William Heagan .....	4
Almas Foss .....	11	Susan J. Stratton .....	14
Nelson Foss .....	10	Veannar Stratton .....	12
Orestes Foss .....	10	Abba Abbott .....	13
Isaac Stratton .....	15	Rosaline Stratton .....	8
Asa Foss .....	14	Lelia Crabtree .....	7
Augustus Foss .....	14	Emily Young .....	9
Peter Heagan .....	12	Elzera Sanborn .....	14
Avon Foss .....	8	Hannah Abbott .....	19
Artemas Berry .....	7	Sarah Berry .....	15
Melville Pettengill .....	16	Melvina Pettengill .....	15
George A. Foss .....	19	Vashta Stratton .....	6
Erastus Stratton .....	11	Miriam E. Stratton ....	9
George Abbott .....	9	Helen Foss .....	9
Augustus Abbott .....	10	Marina E. Pettengill....	18
Franklin Small .....	11	Augusta Berry .....	19
Gilman H. Abbott ....	5	Sara Stratton .....	11
Orlando Foss .....	5	Sarah Googins .....	9
Edwin Stratton .....	12	Susan Heagan .....	7
David Stratton .....	7	Henrietta Stratton ....	18
Nelson Stratton .....	7	Augusta Abbott .....	5





Orrin Stratton .....	5	Aldelbert Stratton .....	17
George Googings .....	8	Joseph F. Moon .....	6

In 1844 the first Town House was built near where now stands the Union Church at the Corner, later this was sold to Elliot Stratton for a store house and the present one built near the Hancock M. C. R. R. Station in 1882.

At the annual town meeting held in 1882, the town voted to build a new Town House, and Alonzo Abbott, R. C. Smith and Fred Graves were chosen to superintend the



TOWN HOUSE

building of the same. The selectmen were authorized to sell the old Town House to the highest bidder. E. L. Stratton bid it in for \$38.00, the underpinning sold to R. B. Abbott for \$14.00, the selectmen were authorized to convey the lot to the Hancock Religious Society for eight dollars.

A hall built by private parties was erected in 1868 near the farm of the late Leonard Wooster, and was torn down in 1924.

Previous to the year 1844 before the first Town House





was built, the State elections and the annual town meetings were held in private homes and barns. The barn of the late Hiram Foss, now owned by Howard W. Young, was used for such meetings for a number of years.

In 1909, the upper hall of the present Town House was sheathed, and it was fitted for a kitchen and dining room. At the annual town meeting 1928, \$1500 was voted to enlarge the hall.

The first bridge between Hancock and Sullivan was built in 1820, by a Mr. Sargent. It was built of wood and stood about twelve years, when the worms had so eaten the timbers as to weaken it and it was carried away by the ice.

Extracts from toll book for first bridge, commencing Dec. 20, 1828, ending Dec. 28, 1829:

Toal rates, foot 6 cents—one horse teams \$ .50—2 horse \$ .80, 3 horse \$ .95.

First entry, Silas Foss, 3 toals.....	0.18
Uriah Oakes, 1 toal.....	0.06
John Cowes, Cart and yoke of oxen and two cows and driver .....	1.02
One boy and himself.....	0.12
Samuel Martin, Girl and boy one toal each.....	0.12
One yoke of oxen, sled horse and driver	0.85
Muan Johnson, Hors and wagon, two toals & hired man .....	1.12
John G. Mosley. One hors & slay and driver.....	0.50
One hors additional & self.....	0.21
Jan. 13, 1829. Abner Lee passing with 3 horses & carriage carrying the male from the 15 of December to the 13 of Jan, once every day in the week Sunday ex- cepted, Twenty-six times he passed the bridge—toll amounting to.....	\$20.80
Robert Gordon hires the bridge to pass himself &	





family hors and slay and wagon from  
the 21 of December 1828 to the first  
day of May 1829 for..... \$1.50

(Some passed for half toll, probably on account of own-  
ing stock in the bridge.)

In 1854 another bridge was started with stone piers and  
wooden top. The piers were completed and a portion of  
the top, when the ice carried this away, and the enterprise  
was abandoned.

In 1906 a notice was given of their intention to apply  
for a charter for a bridge across Sullivan River signed by  
the following persons:

Orlando W. Foss  
Chas. H. Wooster  
Bradbury Smith  
Stewart E. Phelps  
Will R. Havey  
Bedford E. Tracy  
Geo. H. Grant.

No further action was taken.

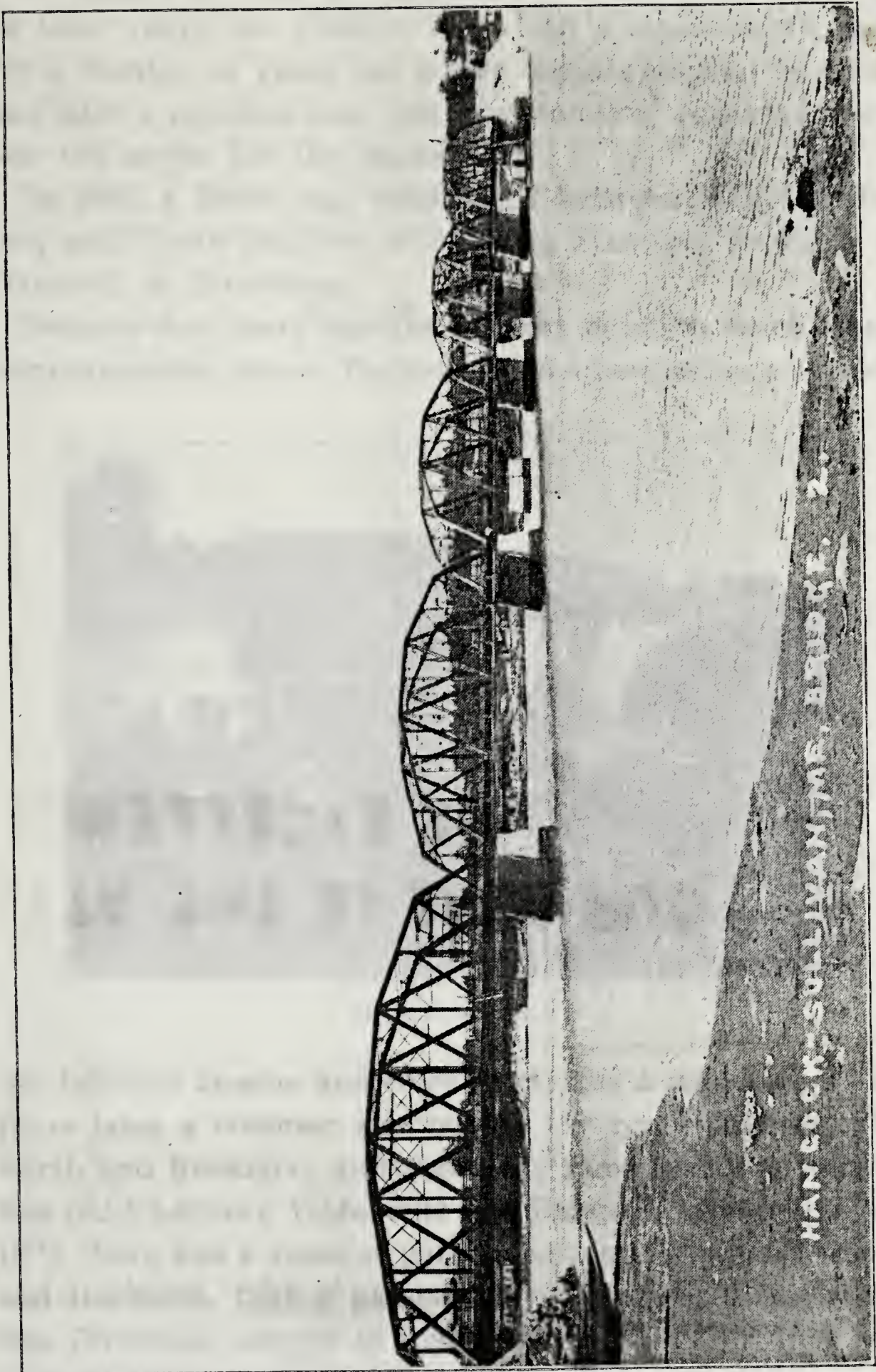
By an act of the Legislature of the State, approved April  
5, 1921, the "Hancock-Sullivan Bridge district" composed  
of the towns of Hancock, Sullivan, Sorrento, Gouldsboro  
and Winter Harbor was formed to build a bridge. At a  
special town meeting July 6, 1921, Orlando W. Foss and  
Charles S. Colwell were chosen trustees for the town of  
Hancock. At the annual meeting in 1925 Ivory H. Foss  
was chosen trustee to fill the vacancy caused by the death  
of his father, Orlando W. Foss.

This bridge was open for travel May 1, 1926.

Before the building of the new bridge connecting Han-  
cock and Sullivan a ferry was maintained at this point.  
The boats on this ferry were propelled for many years by  
oars and sails, but at one time were run by horse power







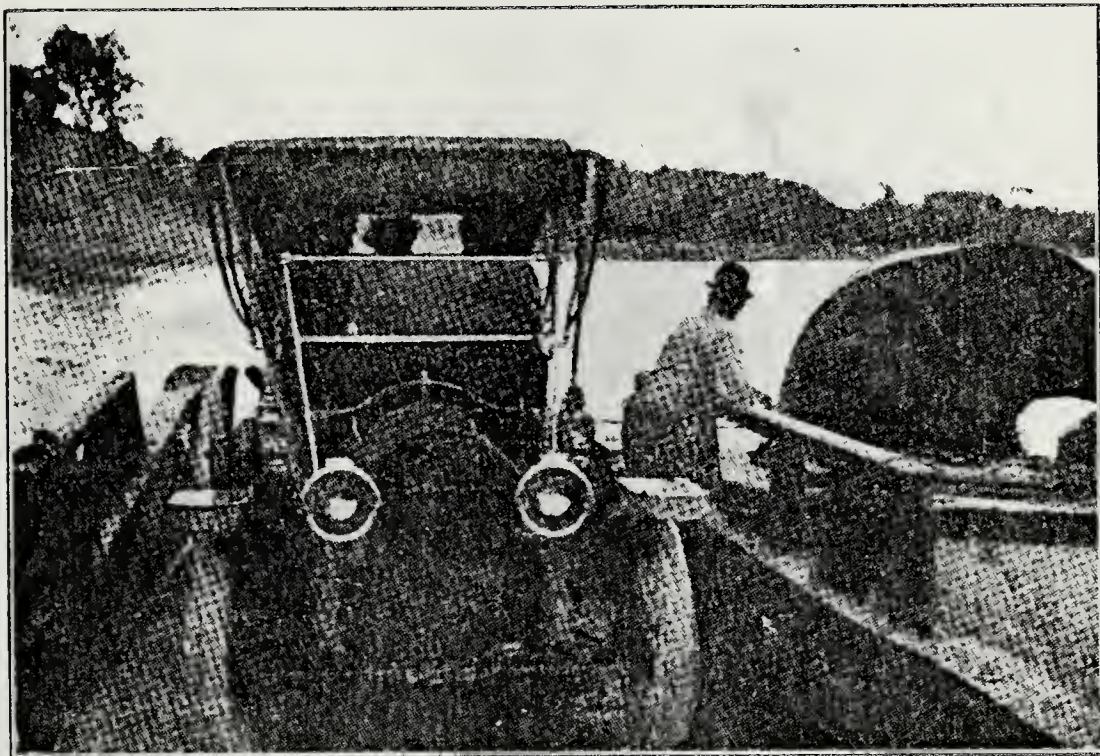




something after the principle of the threshing machine. In later years one Charles Allen ran a steam ferry, then for a number of years the larger boats were run by cable, and later a gasoline boat was used to carry passengers and tow the scows for the teams.

In 1895 a ferry was established between Hancock Station and North Sullivan with Orrin Stratton, formerly of Hancock, as ferryman.

Seventy-five years ago the nearest point to reach steam communication was at Bucksport, 28 miles, where a steamer



SULLIVAN FERRY

ran between Boston and Bucksport once a week; about ten years later a steamer was put on the route between Ellsworth and Rockland, and about the same time the railroad was built between Waterville and Bangor. About the year 1872 there was a steamer put on the route between Sullivan and Rockland, taking passengers at Hancock Point if one was fortunate enough to find some one to go off in a boat to meet the steamer when passing.

The first passenger train between Bangor and Hancock





was run June 28th, 1884, with two stations, Mt. Desert Ferry and Hancock. Later the Franklin Road station was established and in 1895 Waukeag. There are now five stations.

The steamer "Buttercup" and later one named "Electa" were run in Frenchman's Bay before trains came through. These steamers were both commanded by Captain True.

### ROADS BUILT

1817. Union River Bridge to Hog Bay.



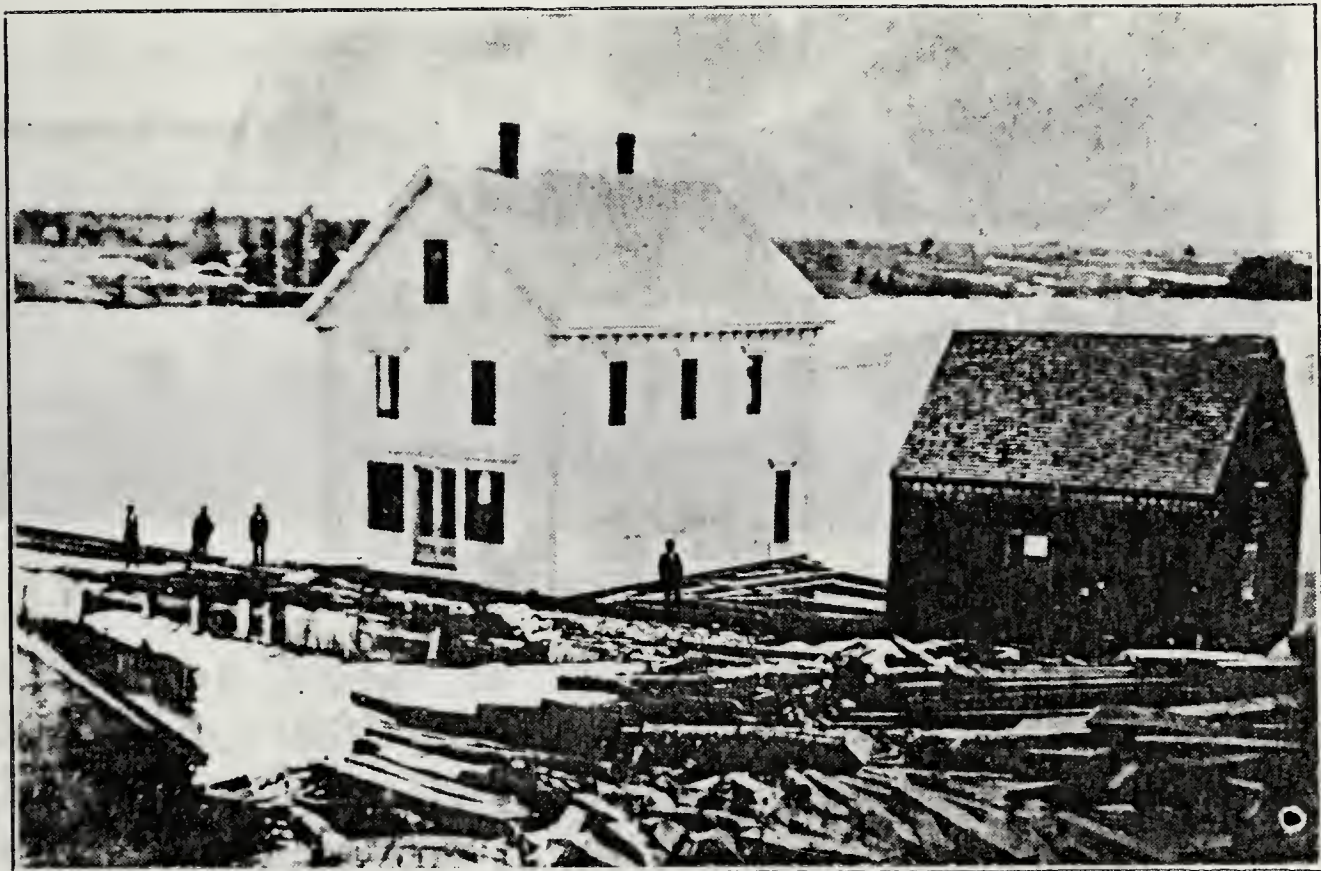
RAILROAD STATION, HANCOCK

- 1818. Killkenny to Sullivan Bridge.
- 1842. From Brick Schoolhouse to Geo. Crabtree's.
- 1845. Merchant Road (discontinued).
- 1847. Road around McFarland's Hill.
- 1848. Cline Road.
- 1850. Pomroy Road (discontinued).
- 1857. Road across the Neck from Leonard Wooster's.
- 1868. Road from Cline Road to the Franklin Road.
- 1874. From near Monumental lot to Lincoln wharf.





1875. From Lamoine to Ellsworth, this is a portion of Hancock, called the Buttermilk Road.
1882. Smith Road (discontinued).
1884. Road, Moses Moon's to railroad wharf.
1886. Road around Hancock Point.
1899. Road around Washington Junction.
1901. Bennett Road.
1902. Shore Drive.
1902. Martin's Avenue.



LINCOLN WHARF AND CRABTREE'S STORE

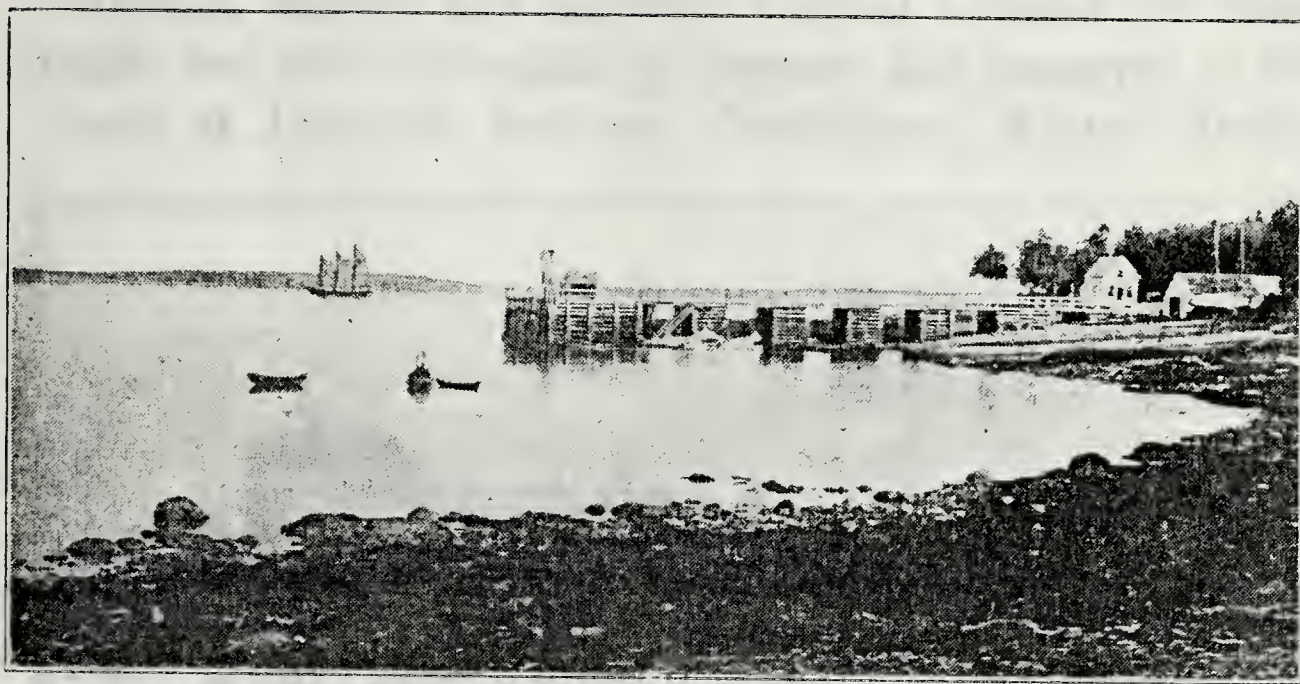
1920. Marlboro Road from near residence of F. T. Hodgkins to near shore.
1925. From Ellsworth-Bar Harbor Road to foot of McFarland's Hill.

Road from Union River Bridge to the head of Hog Bay, 1817—From Ellsworth to line between Trenton and Township No. 8 to a stake standing at right angles thereon with the line made by the fence on the left hand of the passage





way leading out from the dwelling house occupied by Thomas McFarland Junior, thence to a bridge near the border of a field occupied by Mr. Lee, then to a field occupied by Mr. McFarland, then to the mills on Killkenny Stream in Trenton, then to the southern end of Frazier's Hill, then to near Moses Butler's barn in Township No. 8, then to the west shore of Egypt Stream, then to the east shore of the stream, thence to the head of Hog Bay.



WHARF, HANCOCK POINT

Killkenny Bridge in Trenton through Sullivan and Gouldsboro, 1818—From Killkenny Bridge to Stephen Clark's, then to the Carrying Place, then to Sullivan Ferry, then to the ferry way on the east side, then 23 rods to a stake in John Sargent's field.

### WHARVES BUILT

- 1860. Lincoln wharf, at terminus of road from Monumental lot to shore.
- 1872. Wharf at Bennett's Cove.
- 1876. Hancock Point wharf (Town donated \$400).
- 1877. Jeremiah Wooster wharf.
- 1884. Railroad wharf, Mt. Desert Ferry.

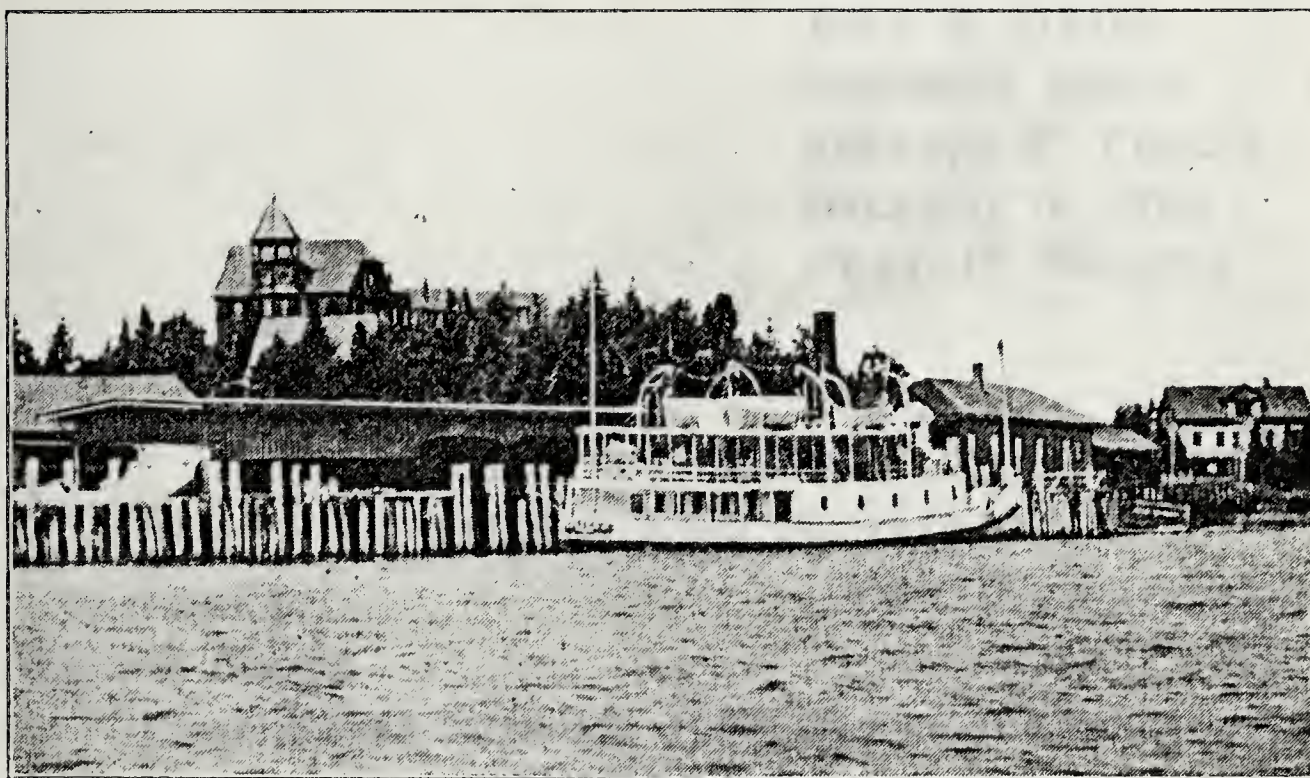




## LEGISLATIVE NOTICE

## PETITION FOR STREET RAILWAY, 1906

The undersigned and associates hereby give notice that they will petition the Legislature of Maine at its coming session for legislation authorizing them to be made a corporation under some appropriate name with authority to construct, operate and maintain a street railroad for street traffic for the conveyance of persons and property in the towns of Hancock, Sullivan, Gouldsboro, Winter Harbor



MT. DESERT FERRY

and Steuben along and over streets, roads and ways therein and over and across such lands as may seem advisable and necessary with such single or double tracks, side tracks, switches, turnouts, stations and appurtenances, with such poles, wires and appliances as shall be reasonably convenient in the premises, with all the powers and privileges incident on or usually granted to similar corporations including the right to cross tide waters and navigable waters within the limits of any of said towns or connecting any





town thereof, upon existing bridges or bridges hereinafter constructed, or upon bridges or structures erected by the corporation therefor, with such draws and piers as may be reasonably necessary, and under such provisions as the Legislature may determine. Also to authorize said corporation to make such connection with the Maine Central Railroad Company and the Washington County Railroad Company as may be deemed expedient.

Dated at Sullivan, Maine, Dec. 3rd, 1906.

(Signed) BEDFORD E. TRACY

GEO. H. GRANT

WILL R. HAVEY

BRADBURY SMITH

STEWART E. PHELPS

ORLANDO W. FOSS

CHAS. H. WOOSTER

## POST OFFICES

HANCOCK, MAINE

Established April 29, 1828

<i>Postmaster</i>	<i>Date of Appointment</i>
William Abbott .....	April 29, 1828
Discontinued Sept. 28, 1829, and reestablished May 29, 1830	
Joseph Stratton .....	May 29, 1830
Martin Stratton .....	July 29, 1833
Lemuel Crabtree, Jr. ....	Sept. 18, 1843
Pelatiah Moore .....	Dec. 11, 1854
Lemuel Crabtree, Jr. ....	March 19, 1861
Pelatiah Moore .....	July 30, 1867
Alfred B. Crabtree .....	April 26, 1869
Alpheus S. Wooster .....	Oct. 15, 1885
Calvin B. Young .....	May 26, 1886
Oscar L. Crabtree .....	June 15, 1889



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Mary F. Abbott .....	May 9, 1893
Nellie M. Crabtree.....	May 14, 1898
Nellie C. Foss.....	Nov. 22, 1911
Calvin B. Young.....	Dec. 24, 1914
Alfred E. Crabtree.....	March 3, 1923

## NORTH HANCOCK

Established March 13, 1844

Samuel N. McFarland.....	March 13, 1844
William Flye.....	October 27, 1848
Albert C. Sibley.....	July 20, 1849
Stephen Joy.....	December 6, 1850
Albert C. Sibley.....	March 22, 1851
Moses Butler .....	June 11, 1851
David McFarland.....	March 23, 1855
Thomas Graves.....	March 2, 1868
Eben Clark .....	July 31, 1871
James M. Butler.....	October 2, 1871
Robert M. French.....	November 16, 1885
Marcus Mullan .....	October 23, 1886
Ney Killman .....	July 14, 1888
George L. Stewart.....	April 3, 1899
Lena F. Stewart.....	September 29, 1913

Name of office changed to Franklin Road, December 1, 1927.

## SOUTH HANCOCK

Established under the name of Crabtree Point

Oliver W. Young..March 8, 1870 (date of establishment)

Name changed to South Hancock, May 2, 1870

Crosby Y. Wooster .....	October 10, 1887
Horace D. Ball.....	April 12, 1889
Julia H. Wooster .....	July 12, 1893

## HANCOCK POINT

Established June 26, 1882. Henry E. Newman, P. M.





## MT. DESERT FERRY

Established December 30, 1884. I. L. Wardwell, P. M.

## MARLBORO P. O.

Established 1885. Seneca Remick, P. M.

## SOLDIERS MONUMENT ERECTED IN 1912

At the annual town meeting held March 13, 1911, there was appointed a Monumental Commission as follows:

*O. W. Foss	A. B. Crabtree
*Bessie Walker	Nancy A. Young
*S. L. Dow	Fred E. Milliken
Effie Cook	Elizabeth Oakes
Clara F. Johnson	*Wm. W. Jellison

\*Deceased

At a special town meeting held June 17, 1911, voted to accept the donation by Mrs. Ellen B. Crabtree of a site upon which to erect a Soldiers Monument, and instructed the selectmen to procure a deed of the same. Also

Voted, to instruct the selectmen to deliver to the Monumental Commission chosen at annual meeting 1911 the money known as the Monumental Fund and all other moneys that may hereafter accumulate for that purpose, when needed for the erection of a Soldiers Monument.

The full amount raised for the Monumental Fund was \$1649.18.





ALFRED B. CRABTREE, TREAS., IN ACCOUNT WITH  
MONUMENTAL FUND, DR.

Received of the Town of Hancock....	\$917.97
The above was a fund of which Capt. O. W. Foss contributed.....	\$50.00
Raised by the town .....	800.00
Interest .....	67.97
Received from the Sidewalk Society..	170.31
Received from school children at Cor- ner .....	11.11
Received from school children at Mt. Desert Ferry and South Hancock..	3.43
Subscriptions .....	546.36
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	\$1,649.18

Elected March 12, 1928, to fill vacancies in Monumental Commission: Ivory H. Foss, Galen Dow, F. L. Colby, H. B. Martin.

RIVERSIDE CEMETERY

The Riverside Cemetery Corporation was organized under the laws of the State of Maine in 1885, mainly through the influence of Samuel N. McFarland. The names of the incorporators were:

Alfred B. Crabtree  
S. N. McFarland  
R. I. Wooster  
J. N. Stratton  
O. L. Crabtree  
Samuel Stratton  
Lemuel Crabtree  
A. B. Foss  
D. H. Saunders  
Geo. P. Haven  
Alonzo Abbott  
Peletiah Moore

Stephen Stratton  
Luther Haven  
H. C. Crabtree  
Elijah Stratton  
Joseph Crabtree  
D. T. Springer  
E. P. Wooster  
J. L. Wooster  
Leonard Wooster  
R. B. Abbott  
Geo. P. Cline





The management consists of a board of directors composed of five which are annually elected by the owners of the lots in the cemetery. The first directors were Alfred B. Crabtree, Richmond I. Wooster, Samuel Stratton, Samuel N. McFarland and George P. Cline. They made choice of Alfred B. Crabtree President, Richmond I. Wooster Secretary, and Henry C. Crabtree Treasurer.

The directors at this time are Alfred B. Crabtree, Henry



RIVERSIDE CEMETERY

W. Johnson, Alfred E. Crabtree, Byron W. Page and Augustus I. Foss.

There was paid Samuel U. Oakes for ten	
acres of land .....	\$445.00
W. C. Washburn for one-half acre.....	42.50
L. Crabtree for right of way.....	10.00
In 1925 two acres of land bought of Elizabeth Oakes .....	200.00
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Amount paid for land.....	\$697.50



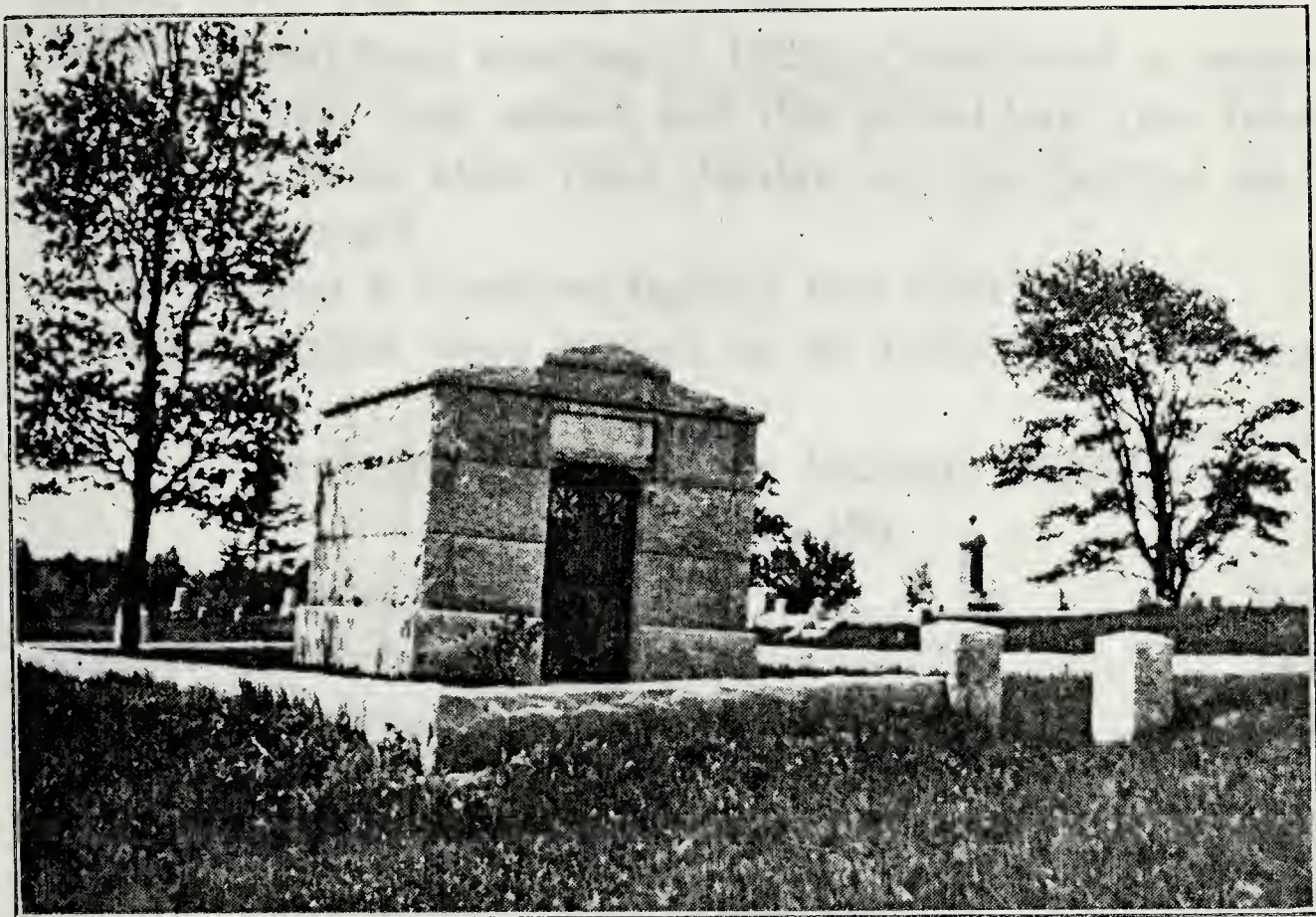


This cemetery is located near the center of the town, on and overlooking Taunton River, a beautiful location.

Sad to say, there are now interred in the cemetery over 500 bodies. There are about fifty lots, size 23 feet by 25 feet, for sale at a very low price, the management wishing to keep the price within reach of all.

A first-class tomb was built in 1887 by the corporation.

There is a cemetery adjoining the Falls Church and also one on McFarland's Hill in the west part of the town.



GIRDWOOD LOT

The custom house which had for many years been established in Sullivan, was moved to Mt. Desert Ferry in 1886. Richmond I. Wooster was appointed collector. In 1890, Colman A. Crabtree was appointed to the office, and in 1894, Mr. Wooster was re-appointed, serving for two years, when Henry A. Ball received the appointment, holding the office until it was discontinued in 1918.





Shortly after the railroad came through, about 1888, a lighthouse was built on Crabtree's Ledge.

Farmers' telephone line installed about 1903.

First automobile owned by I. L. Wardwell, 1908.

Colwell and Stinson lobster pound built in 1906.

First Stinson pound built in 1911.

Large Stinson pound built in 1923.

Big balloon "Goodyear V" landed in H. W. Young's pasture, May 31, 1927, making a flight of 715 miles from Akron, Ohio, and winning the race.

At a special town meeting in 1923, it was voted to establish a two-year high school, and this school has since been maintained with Miss Cora Jordan as the faithful and efficient principal.

The Stinson & Crabtree factory was built in 1923.

Electric lights were turned on in town, February 10, 1925.

#### STATISTICS FROM TOWN REPORT, 1928

Valuation, \$401,593

Number polls assessed .....	197
Number of scholars in grades .....	142
Number of scholars in high school .....	14

#### LIST OF THE SOLDIERS AND SAILORS DURING THE CIVIL WAR 1860-65

Butler, Leonard	Joy, Benjamin F., Jr.
Butler, Thomas M.	Laffin, Pierce
Butler, Warren G.	Milliken, Elbridge M.
Butler, Augustus J.	McFarland, John D.
Babbige, William J.	McFarland, Daniel Y.
Crabtree, John G.	Merchant, Hiram
Crabtree, Henry C.	Miles, William L.
Curtis, Adolphus W.	Mullen, Guy
Cline, Joseph	Moon, Judson R.



Dow, Alvin A.	Moon, Joseph F.
Dow, Samuel	Mosely, David
Foss, Augustus I.	Maddox, Edwin P.
Foss, George A.	Pettengill, Geo. R.
Frost, George W.	Pettengill, Melville E.
Googing, Amariah T.	Stratton, Jeremiah
Googing, Augustus	Stratton, Adelbert
Grant, Gilbert	Stratton, Homer R.
Grant, Nahum B.	Small, Isaac H.
Gates, Burtus	Stewart, George
Hacket, Peter	Stewart, Nelson
Heath, Edward H.	Smith, Rodman C.
Heagan, James C.	Smith, Warrenton O.
Heagan, Ira B.	Tracy, Eben R.
Heagan, Alfred	Wooster, Alpheas S.
Joy, Stephen D.	Withee, Jophanus M.
Joy, Charles B.	Withee, Albert
Joy, Emerson	

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Whole number in three years' service.....	33
Whole number in nine months' service.....	15
Whole number in Mass. Regiment.....	1
Whole number in Navy .....	4

Total .....	53
Number of men between ages of 18 and 45, eligible for military duty .....	121

FROM SELECTMEN'S BOOK NO. 1, JUNE 8, 1867

Copy of amount of men & money furnished for war  
purposes during the Rebellion.

Number of men volunteers representatives and subs .....	103
Expense to town and bounty.....	16,950.00
For interest up to date.....	1,918.50





Expense for recruiting .....	850.00
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	19,718.50
Individuals .....	4,015.00
Paid commutation .....	600.00
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	24,333.50

Attest: JOHN MILLIKEN.

### MILITIA ROLL 1909

	Age		Age
Abbott, Harlan .....	25	Davis, Lincoln .....	39
Abbott, Walter E. ....	21	Dorr, James, Jr. ....	24
Anderson, Chas. ....		Eaton, John .....	30
Bowden, Gardiner .....	38	Ford, Maynard .....	21
Bishop, William .....	41	Ford, Oscar .....	24
Ball, William H. ....	40	Ford, Wesley .....	31
Ball, Whiting .....	27	Foren, Alfred .....	33
Bennett, Percy .....	22	Fogg, Geo. W. ....	28
Bennett, Hervey L. ....	28	Foss, Frank .....	21
Brenton, Christopher ...	35	Foss, Gleason .....	20
Brinkworth, Chester ...	24	Foss, Wallace .....	41
Carter, Harvey L. ....	31	Foss, Ivory H. ....	23
Colwell, Charles .....	23	Foss, Harold G. ....	27
Crabtree, Leroy .....	29	Foss, Boyd P. ....	29
Crabtree, Evans .....	20	Foss, Arno D. ....	21
Crabtree, Arthur .....	24	Foss, Daniel H. ....	20
Crabtree, Harvard .....	27	Ficket, E. E. ....	32
Clarke, Arthur .....	19	Farnsworth, Hubert ....	21
Cook, Charles P. ....	35	Graves, Eddie L. ....	34
Cook, Fred .....	33	Graves, Charles .....	19
Dow, Amos .....	24	Graves, Arthur .....	35
Dow, Charles .....	33	Gordon, Albert .....	31
Dow, Galen .....	38	Gatcomb, Daniel R. ....	37





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Gatcomb, Pearl .....	28	Martin, Clarence .....	36
Gatcomb, Archie .....	20	Martin, Guilford J. ....	38
Gatcomb, Gilbert .....	25	Martin, Calvin .....	24
Gatcomb, Harvard .....	30	Martin, Sibley .....	27
Grant, Luther .....	27	Martin, Reuben .....	35
Grant, Freeman .....	36	Martin, Geo. G. ....	40
Grant, Everard .....	21	Martin, Atwood .....	42
Googins, Chas. E. ....	34	Martin, R. E. ....	39
Grindel, B. A. ....	29	Martin, Greenleaf J. ...	36
Gallison, Wm. W. ....	24	Miles, Frank .....	26
Hodgkins, Eugene ....	38	Milliken, Fred .....	36
Hodgkins, Howard M. ...	43	Murphy, Joseph .....	19
Hodgkins, Thadeus ....	30	Murphy, Archie .....	31
Hodgkins, Shirley .....	19	McLane, Fred .....	42
Hodgkins, Albert .....	35	Merchant, S. E. ....	42
Hodgkins, Adelbert ....	35	Merchant, George ....	19
Harvey, Albert P. ....	38	McIntyre, Peter .....	35
Harvey, Geo. L. ....	27	McIntyre, George .....	22
Hagerthy, Walter .....	31	McIntyre, Joseph .....	29
Johnston, Harry .....	32	Nickerson, Clarence ....	27
Johnson, Henry W. ....	34	Ober, Stephen E. ....	29
Joy, H. L. ....	44	Preble, F. A. ....	34
Jellison, Arthur .....	19	Page, Byron .....	43
Jordon, Ora .....	25	Partridge, Andy .....	19
Jameson, Benj. F. ....	26	Phillips, Martin R. ....	28
Keith, Walter .....	22	Pomroy, John .....	22
Leach, Chas. F. ....	32	Pomroy, Seth .....	20
Lewis, Raymond P. ....	24	Pomroy, Calvin .....	23
Linscott, Howard .....	41	Pomroy, Weston .....	41
Linscott, Fred .....	35	Rice, Herbert A. ....	40
Linscott, Hollis .....	38	Rodick, Harry .....	30
Moon, James A. ....	38	Seavey, Milford .....	20
Moon, Alvin F. ....	32	Seavey, Albert .....	19
Moon, Willie .....	24	Springer, Watson .....	42
Moon, Bert .....	40	Springer, Heman .....	20





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Springer, Roswell . . . . .	26	Smith, James M. . . . .	35
Springer, Ellis . . . . .	21	Sawyer, Willie . . . . .	19
Stewart, Emerson . . . . .	26	Tribou, A. P. N. . . . .	28
Stewart, Merrill . . . . .	41	Thorsen, Percy . . . . .	21
Stewart, Chas. I. . . . .	38	Wright, John . . . . .	38
Stewart, Geo. L. . . . .	43	Wilber, Homer . . . . .	21
Stratton, Geo. P. . . . .	28	Wilber, Melvin . . . . .	25
Stratton, Rufus . . . . .	38	York, John L. . . . .	
Stratton, Edward . . . . .	38	Walker, Percie E. . . . .	31
Stratton, Carl . . . . .	22	Young, Galen H. . . . .	43
Stratton, Chester . . . . .	24	Young, H. S. . . . .	24
Shute, Herbert C. . . . .	38	Young, H. W. . . . .	22
Smith, Arthur . . . . .	22	Young, Clarence A. . . . .	21
Smith, Horace T. . . . .	33	Young, Ernest C. . . . .	19

#### LIST OF MEN IN THE MILITARY SERVICE OF THE UNITED STATES, 1917-1919

Chamberlain, Colin	Martin, Oscar L.
Coombs, Dennis	Merchant, George F.
Crabtree, Alfred E.	Moon, Ray E.
Crabtree, Kenneth G.	Page, Byron W.
Dix, Robert L.	Partridge, Andrew
Dodge, James I.	Partridge, Ray
Foss, Archie L.	Reed, Hollis I.
Foss, Gleason D.	Reed, Willie M.
Foss, Leonard F.	Rollins, Harry E.
Foss, Orlando W., Jr.	Stratton, Fred L.
Harvey, Ulysses G.	Springer, Ellis
Hodgkins, Merton O.	Thorsen, Arthur C., Jr.
Hodgkins, Raymond L.	Tracy, Elyn B.
Johnson, Frederick O.	Turner, Elmo J.
Jordon, Clyde S.	Urann, Arthur R.
Joy, Stephen D.	Walker, Percie E.
Martin, Orville L.	Young, Ellis M.





## FRATERNAL ORDERS

## GRANGE

Organized March 24, 1884

## CHARTER MEMBERS

Leonard Wooster	J. N. Stratton
E. N. Foss	S. U. Oakes
Augustus I. Foss	Elijah Stratton
H. D. Ball	D. H. Saunders
D. T. Springer	Emma B. Stratton
Isadora Wooster	Lizzie C. Joy
Sarah L. Wooster	Alice G. Laws
Martha P. Stratton	Nannie M. Abbott
Jennie Stratton	A. S. Wooster
A. A. Foss	C. B. Young
Almira T. Crabtree	Joseph Crabtree
Rodman C. Smith	Chas. H. Wooster
Avon P. Foss	Samuel Stratton
Millard F. Foss	Ulmore E. Foss
E. H. Colby	E. J. Colby
Martha P. Wooster	Ella F. Saunders
R. I. Wooster	C. L. Smith
Winfield Stratton	Mrs. O. A. Oakes
Annie M. Stratton	Aubine Wooster
Minnie Hodgkins	Wm. C. Washburn
Eddie G. Abbott	

Master .....	Leonard Wooster
Overseer .....	D. H. Saunders
Lecturer .....	C. B. Young
Steward .....	A. S. Wooster
Asst. Steward .....	Chas. Wooster
Chaplain .....	D. T. Springer
Secretary .....	Millard Foss
Gate Keeper .....	Ulmore Foss





Ceres .....Nannie Abbott  
 Pomona .....Jennie Stratton  
 Flora .....Emma Crabtree

# OMAHA TRIBE NO. 93, IMP. O. R. M.

Instituted Dec. 2nd, 1904

## CHARTER MEMBERS

Charles Anderson	C. A. Penny
William H. Ball	D. W. Springer
John E. Bowden	H. W. Springer
Chas. P. Cook	C. H. Stratton
A. M. Carter	F. H. Stratton
Alfred B. Crabtree	Pearl Stratton
O. W. Foss	J. N. Stratton
W. E. Foss	John R. Stratton
Aug. I. Foss	Carl C. Stratton
Boyd Foss	C. W. Stratton
Geo. W. Googins	Hervey B. Scammon
H. S. Hall	Jos. A. Tufts
Henry W. Johnson	P. E. Walker
M. B. Joy	Chas. H. Wooster
James A. Moon	E. W. Wooster
Geo. M. Moon	Howard W. Young
Atwood Martin	Herbert S. Young
Frank Moon	

## THE FIRST CHIEFS WERE

Prophet.....John E. Bowden  
 Sachem .....Chas. H. Wooster  
 S. S. ....John R. Stratton  
 J. S. ....Henry W. Johnson  
 C. of R. ....Percy E. Walker  
 C. of W. ....Alfred B. Crabtree  
 K. of W. ....Aug. I. Foss



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Sannaps .....	H. B. Scammon
.....	Chas. P. Cook
Warriors .....	Wm. H. Ball
.....	Geo. M. Moon
.....	M. B. Joy
.....	O. W. Springer
Braves .....	H. S. Young
.....	Carl Stratton
.....	F. H. Stratton
.....	H. S. Hall
Scouts .....	C. H. Stratton
.....	H. W. Young
G. of W. ....	G. W. Googins
G. of F. ....	C. W. Stratton

ELINEE COUNCIL NO. 23, DEGREE OF  
POCAHONTAS

Instituted February 2nd, 1905

CHARTER MEMBERS

Nancy M. Abbott	Ida P. Carter
Lettie Anderson	A. M. Carter
Emma L. Ball	Aug. I. Foss
Wm. H. Ball	Emma J. Foss
Maud E. Bowden	Caroline C. Foss
John E. Bowden	Wallace E. Foss
Rebecca Butler	Sarah Foss
Effie Cook	Geo. W. Googins
Chas. P. Cook	Clara F. Johnson
Lula F. Crabtree	Grace B. Joy
Nellie M. Crabtree	Lydia Joy
Lizzie F. Crabtree	Myra A. Moon
Lola M. Crabtree	James A. Moon
Alice J. Crabtree	Emma Page
Alfred B. Crabtree	Caroline C. Stratton





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Maud E. Stratton	Bessie Walker
C. H. Stratton	Percy E. Walker
Susie Stratton	Isadore Wooster
Myrtle Stratton	Chas. H. Wooster
Pearl Stratton	E. W. Wooster
H. B. Scammon	Herbert S. Young
Mary L. Smith	Lottie E. Wooster
Stella Shaw	

### THE FIRST CHIEFS WERE

Prophetess.....	Maud E. Bowden
Pocahontas .....	Maud Stratton
Wenonah .....	Myra Moon
Powhatan.....	Alfred B. Crabtree
K. of Records.....	Alice J. Crabtree
A. K. of Records.....	Bessie Walker
K. of Wampum.....	Caroline C. Foss
1st Scout.....	Lizzie F. Crabtree
2nd Scout.....	Nellie M. Crabtree
1st Warrior.....	Lola M. Crabtree
2nd Warrior.....	Caroline Stratton
3rd Warrior.....	Effie Cook
4th Warrior.....	Lottie E. Wooster
G. of Wicket.....	Emma J. Foss
G. of Forest.....	Chas. H. Wooster
1st Coun. ....	Sarah Foss
2nd Coun. ....	Grace Joy





EXTRACT FROM JAMES PETERS' FIELD BOOK OF  
SURVEYS MADE BY HIM IN 1803; THE EASTERN  
PORTION OF THE TOWN OF HANCOCK THEN  
BEING A PART OF SULLIVAN

Monday, August first 1803, I set out to survey the town of Sullivan by the order of General David Cobb. I get to Patten's Bay, and it comes on to rain.

Tuesday, 2d, I get to Sullivan.

Thursday, 4th. We get ready and go to the bounds on Meadow Point, the southwest corner bounds of Sullivan, and mark a spruce stake the bounds. From thence we spot across to Rackoon Cove.

Friday, 5th, we begin on the north side of said cove, and follow said town line to Skilling's River. Then we cross said river, and go on.

Saturday, 6th. We go to the northwest corner bounds, it is a spruce tree, we find this line runs N. 1 degree west. The distance from the north side of Racoon Cove to this bound, is 4 miles, 206 rods. From thence we run east 1 mile to Taunton Bay. We find we fall to the south of the old line. This line crosses Burying Island to the south of the center.

Sunday, the 7th.

Monday, 8th. (They go to the east side of Taunton Bay and survey in what is now Sullivan.)

Thursday, 18th. We begin at spruce tree which stands on the west side of the Falls thence to a stub, the bounds between the Widow Gatcomb and Henry Grant. From thence to a pine tree, the bounds between Henry Grant and Richard Clark. From thence to a stake, the bounds between Richard Clark and Reuben Abbot Jr. From thence to a hemlock tree, the bounds between Reuben Abbot Jr. and Moses Abbot. From thence to a birch tree, the bounds between Moses Abbot and Reuben Abbot. From thence,





Friday 19th, to the town line. Now we go and begin at the spruce tree on the west side of the Falls, and run to a pine stump, the bounds between the Widow Gatcomb and the Widow Moon. From thence, to a stake, the bounds between the Widow Moon and Joseph Moon. From thence to a stake, the bounds between Joseph Moon and Thomas Bennett. From thence to a pine tree the bounds between Christopher Moon and common land. From thence to a stake the bounds between Christopher Moon and William McNeal. From thence Saturday 20th, to a stub Morgan Jones' north bounds. From thence to a stake the bounds between Morgan Jones and Charles Coates. From thence to an oak stump, Charles Coats' southwest bounds. From thence to a stake the bounds between George Crabtree and Agreeen Crabtree. From thence to a stake the bounds between Agreeen Crabtree and William Crabtree, from thence to a stake the bounds between William Crabtree and Joseph Lancaster. From thence to a birch tree the bounds between Joseph Lancaster and a lot Judah Dyer had of said Lancaster, from thence to a stake the bounds between said Dyer and the Widow Cook, from thence to a birch tree the bounds between the Widow Cook and the Widow Young. Monday the 22d from thence to a stake the bounds between the Widow Young and Samuel Ball. From thence to a stake the bounds between Samuel Ball and Jacob P. Rust, from thence we cross a point 10 rods deep and 4 wide to a stake the bounds between Jacob P. Rust and Robert Mercer. From thence to a stake the bounds between Robert Mercer and David Wooster, from thence to a fir tree the bounds between David Wooster and Oliver Wooster, from thence to a stake the bounds between Oliver Wooster and William Wooster, from thence to Mr. Wooster's mill-dam. Then we go on round the pond to the north end of the mill-dam. Tuesday 23d, from thence to a maple tree the bounds between Edward Pettingill and Thomas Foss.





From thence across a cove 25 rods deep running south-east to a stake the bounds between Thomas Foss and Stephen Clark. From thence we cross a cove 12 rods wide running north 30 rods across another cove running north to Reuben Abbot's, from thence across a cove running north-west 30 rods. We expect that we have got to the French line so we quit running the shore.

Wednesday 24th. I go home to Bluehill and plan 5 days.

Monday September 26th. We begin at the bounds between Reuben Abbot and Moses Abbot, from thence we run south 238 rods to a stake, then west 120 rods to a fir tree. From thence north to the shore. This gives Reuben Abbot 200 acres. Then we begin at the bounds between Moses Abbot and Reuben Abbot Jr. and run south 173 rods to a birch tree, from thence west 84 rods to Reuben Abbot's south-east bounds, this gives Moses Abbot 100 acres.

Tuesday 27th. We begin at the bounds between Reuben Abbot Jr. and Richard Clark, from thence we run S. 20 degrees W. 126 rods to a pine tree, from thence west 70 rods to a cedar tree, from thence north 74 rods to Moses Abbot's south-east bounds, this gives Reuben Abbot Jr. 100 acres. Then we begin at the bounds between Richard Clark and Henry Grant, from thence we run S. 30 degrees W. 174 rods to a stake, from thence we run west 70 rods to a spruce tree, from thence north to the head line of Reuben Abbot Jr.'s lot, this gives Richard Clark 100 acres. Then we begin at the bounds between Henry Grant and the Widow Gatcomb, from thence we run S. 45 degrees W. 192 rods to a stub, from thence N. 42 degrees W. 52 rods to a spruce tree, from thence N. 30 degrees E. 66 rods to Richard Clark's south-east bounds, this gives Henry Grant 100 acres.

Wednesday 28th. We begin at the bounds between the Widow Gatcomb and the Widow Moon, from thence we run west 121 rods to a spruce tree, then south 22 rods to





a stake, then west 60 rods to a stake, then north 45 degrees W. 50 rods to a pine tree on Henry Grant's south, side line. This gives the Widow Gatcomb 100 acres. Then we begin at the bounds between the Widow Moon and Joseph Moon, from thence we run west 216 rods to a stake, from thence north 66 rods to the Widow Gatcomb's south-east bounds, this gives the Widow Moon 100 acres. Then we begin at the bounds between Joseph Moon and Thomas Bennett, from thence we run west 128 rods to a hemlock tree, from thence north 96 rods to the Widow Moon's side line, this gives Joseph Moon 100 acres. Then we begin at Joseph Moon's south-west bounds and run west 60 rods to a stake, from thence south 88 rods to a stake, from thence east 154 rods to the shore and make a stub the bounds. This gives Thomas Bennett 100 acres.

Thursday 29th. We begin at the bounds between Christopher Moon and William McNiel and run west 144 rods to a spruce tree, from thence north 86 rods to a stake. From thence east 210 rods to said Moon's north-east bound at the shore, this gives said Moon 100 acres. Then we begin at Christopher Moon's south-west bounds and run west 64 rods to a spruce tree, from thence south 76 rods to a spruce tree. From thence east 104 rods to the shore. This gives McNeal 100 acres. Then we begin at the bounds between Morgan Jones and Charles Coats and run west 172 rods to a birch tree. From thence north 96 rods. From thence east to Morgan Jones' north-east bounds at the shore. This gives said Jones 100 acres.

Friday 30th. We begin at Charles Coats' south-east bounds and run west 140 rods to a spruce tree, from thence north 92 rods to a birch tree. From thence east 8 rods to Morgan Jones' south-west bounds, this gives Charles Coats 100 acres. Then we begin at the bounds between George Crabtree and Agreen Crabtree, from thence we run N. 78 degrees E. 124 rods to the east side of the Neck. This





gives George Crabtree 58 acres. Then we begin at the bounds between Agreen Crabtree and William Crabtree, from thence we run N. 78 degrees E. 100 rods to the east side of the Neck. This gives Agreen Crabtree 77 acres.

Saturday 1st Oct. We begin at the bounds between William Crabtree and Joseph Lancaster, from thence we run N. 78 degrees E. 232 rods to the back side of the Neck, then we begin at Agreen Crabtree's north-east bounds and chain on said Crabtree's line S. 78 degrees W.  $87\frac{1}{2}$  rods to a stake. From thence N. 12 degrees W.  $47\frac{1}{2}$  rods to a stake. From thence N. 78 degrees E. to the shore. This gives William Crabtree 100 acres. This small lot contains 29 acres for George Crabtree. Then we begin at Joseph Lancaster's north-west bounds, from thence we run N. 78 degrees E. 224 rods to a stake. From thence S. 12 degrees E. 74 rods to William Crabtree's side line. This gives Joseph Lancaster 100 acres. Then we begin at the Widow Cook's south-west bounds. From thence we run N. 78 degrees E. 190 rods to Charles Coats' head line and make a stake the bounds, this gives Joseph Lancaster 67 acres.

Monday 3d. We begin at the bounds between the Widow Cook and the Widow Young, from thence we run N. 78 degrees E. 214 rods to Charles Coats' head line and make a birch tree the bounds, this gives the Widow Cook 100 acres. Then we begin at the bounds between the Widow Young and Samuel Ball, from thence we run N. 78 degrees E. 230 rods to a stake, from thence S. 12 degrees E. 81 rods to Widow Cook's side line, this gives Widow Young 100 acres. Then we begin at the bounds between Samuel Ball and Jacob P. Rust, from thence we run N. 78 degrees E. 252 rods to a fir tree. From thence S. 78 degrees W. 2 rods to Widow Young's north-east bounds. This gives Samuel Ball 100 acres.

Tuesday 4th. We begin at the bounds between Jacob P. Rust and Robert Mercer, from thence we run east 226





rods to a cedar tree. From thence we run north 16 rods to a pine tree. From thence we run east 63 rods to a fir tree. From thence S. 12 degrees E. 46 rods to Samuel Ball's north-east bounds, this gives Jacob P. Rust 100 acres. Then we begin at the bounds between Robert Mercer and David Wooster, from thence we run east 214 rods to a stake. From thence south 60 rods to a pine tree Jacob P. Rust's corner bounds. This gives Robert Mercer 100 acres. Then we begin at the bounds between David Wooster and Oliver Wooster, from thence we run east 219 rods to a stake, from thence south 76 rods to a spruce tree, from thence west 14 rods to Robert Mercer's north-east bounds, this gives David Wooster 100 acres.

Wednesday, 5th. We begin at the bounds between Oliver Wooster and William Wooster. From thence we run east 190 rods to a spruce tree. From thence south 84 rods to David Wooster's side line. This gives Oliver Wooster 100 acres. Then we begin at said Oliver's north-east bounds and run east 64 rods to a birch tree. From thence north 134 rods to a pine tree, from thence west 150 rods to the shore, and make a stake the bounds. This gives William Wooster 200 acres. Then we begin at the bounds between Edward Pettengill and Thomas Foss, from thence we run east 210 rods to a stake. From thence south 95 rods to a stake. From thence west 76 rods to William Wooster's north-east bounds, this gives Edward Pettengill 100 acres.

Thursday 6th. We begin at the bounds between Thomas Foss and Stephen Clark, from thence we run east 126 rods to a stake. From thence south to Edward Pettengill's side line, this gives Thomas Foss 100 acres. Then we go back at said Foss' north-east bounds and run east 112 rods to Richard Clark's lot, then we begin at Edward Pettengill's north-east bounds and run east 56 rods to a spruce tree, from thence north to Richard Clark's south-west bounds, this gives William Foss 61 acres and 96 rods, then we





begin at Thomas Foss' north-east bounds and chain west 10 rods and make a spruce tree the bounds. From thence N. 66 rods to a birch tree, from thence west to the shore and make a pine tree the bounds, this gives Stephen Clark 100 acres, then we begin at Reuben Abbot's south-west bounds. From thence we run west to the shore and make a pine tree the bounds. This gives Stephen Merchant's widow 100 acres.

Friday 7th. We begin at Morgan Jones' north-west bounds and run S. 70 degrees W. 56 rods to Samuel Ball's head line and make a maple tree the bounds, this gives said Jones 25 acres. Then we begin at William McNiel's south-west bounds, from thence we run west 126 rods to Samuel Ball's head line and make a fir tree the bounds. This makes 36 acres to complete Agreen and George Crabtree's 100 acres.

Saturday 8th. I go home.

## LINE BETWEEN HANCOCK AND ELLSWORTH

The perambulation and survey of the line between the Town of Hancock and the City of Ellsworth was commenced Oct. 20, 1902.

The Town of Hancock was represented by Selectmen Geo. B. Bridges and W. W. Jellison, and Chas. Hurley and Chas. Grows were employed by Ellsworth.

We started from an old stub which marks the angle in said line on land of said Bridges. I was unable to find record of the running of said line but having for years understood that the magnetic course of said line when established was north & south I concluded that the variation should be 6 degrees and accordingly run N., 6 degrees E. After running 67 rods and 3 links we came to the N. line of said Bridges' home lot. At this point we were about ten feet east of a cedar tree spotted for a corner and sup-





posed to be in the town line. We left off at night having run one mile. For a part of the way after leaving the woods and coming to the meadow land we followed the remains of an old fence for a short distance, then our line ran across and followed a short distance fence built by Mr. Bridges and other fences of Hancock farms.

Oct. 21st. With the same crew we continue our course and as we approach the Hancock Road we find our line to be a short distance west of an old fence supposed to be on the town line. After continuing our line one mile and 136 rods and 18 links we reach the south line of said Hancock Road and are 35 links west of a point which I and others remember to have been marked by a cedar post not now standing said to be a monument in the town line. We sent for H. S. Jones who has been familiar with the locality for many years and he, Mr. Bridges and myself remembered that a telegraph pole now standing in the south side of said road stands if not exactly in, very near the point where the cedar post stood. We therefore set over 35 links and start from the said telegraph pole and adopt a variation of  $6\frac{1}{4}$  degrees and run north  $6\frac{1}{4}$  E. After crossing the gravel pit and running into the woods we run across a stake and pile of rocks marking a corner bound said to be in the town line.

We leave off for the night 2 miles & 56 rods & 18 links from our starting point.

Oct. 22nd. With same crew we continue same course and leave off for the night at 3 miles, 29 rods & 23 links from starting point. In this day's work we run exactly over the south-east corner of the H. H. Emerson farm and follow the farm line which should be the town line until near the N. E. corner of the Hurley farm when the fence turns to the left and we pass the N. E. corner bound marked by the stake and stones about 8 feet east of the same.

Oct. 23d. With same crew we continue same course and





at 17 rods and 19 links we reach the south line of No. 8 & find our line to be 21 links ( $84/100$  of a rod) east of a pile of small rocks and a birch stake said to be the S. E. corner of No. 8. Whole distance from starting point to No. 8 line 3 miles, 47 rods & 17 links. As this line had run exactly over the old farm lines marking the town line we concluded that it must be correct. In running this line we had marked it only by stakes but in going back over the line we commenced at the S. E. corner of the H. H. Emerson farm and spotted a line to the said Hancock Road, and granite bounds have been placed by the street commissioner of Ellsworth in the above described line at said Hancock Road, at the Stab Awl or Black Meadow Road and at the No. 8 line.

Not being able to continue the survey, I engaged E. B. Clark to go with Mr. Bridges and run the line from the starting point an old stub to bound between Hancock and Trenton on land of H. A. Pierce. They started from bound in Bridges' pasture established by Hancock and Trenton, taking their course to a stake near old Lamoine Road, said to be in town line. When they got to the new Lamoine Road they found their course would take them a long distance to the north of the old stub. As the bound established by Hancock and Trenton should be in the line between Ellsworth and Trenton running to Union River, I concluded that it would be improper to run a line from the angle at old stub to said bound until it is found that said bound is directly in the line between Ellsworth and Trenton running from said stub to Union River. This should be determined the coming season and the line run and properly marked to Union River between Ellsworth and Trenton.

(Signed) LEVI B. WYMAN,

Surveyor.





## RUNNING OF A LINE BETWEEN HANCOCK AND LAMOINE

Oct. 30, 1905. Began at stub on Bingham line in Bridges pasture, run south  $31\frac{3}{4}$  degrees west  $141\frac{1}{2}$  rods, striking near stake on new Lamoine Road. Oct. 31. Continued to run same course 149 rods to center of old Lamoine Road (Buttermilk Road), striking 3 feet north of old stake. Continued from center of road same course 79 rods to a stake. Then run a course north  $71\frac{1}{4}$  degrees east 15 rods 21 links to a stone post set by Hancock and Lamoine.

(Signed) CHAS. H. WOOSTER

GEO. L. STEWART

J. R. STRATTON

Selectmen of Hancock.

## TOWN OF HANCOCK

### FIRST TOWN MEETING HELD MARCH 24TH, 1828, AT THE MEETING HOUSE

Moderator, William Young.

Town Clerk, Robert Mercer.

Treasurer, Summers Wooster.

Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of Poor, Robert Mercer, John Butler, William Young.

Raised for schools, \$200; highways, \$1000; incidentals, \$75.

First election Nov. 3, 1828, for electors for President and Vice President. 34 votes cast.

Town meetings were held at various places, viz., Meeting House, William Young's, the brick schoolhouse, barn of Hiram Foss, barn of Summers Wooster and store of Lemuel Crabtree, Jr.

First Town House built in 1844, near where the Union Church now stands at the Corner. The present Town Hall was built in 1882 and the old one sold to Elliott L. Stratton.





At a town meeting held March 25, 1831, it was voted that the second Monday of March be the day to hold our annual town meeting.

1832, voted to have a physician settled, and to pay him \$50 if his charges do not amount to \$400 for one year.

1833, voted to build a stone bridge at Killkenny, contract let to Asa Googings for \$337.50.

1839, voted to build a bridge at Egypt with stone piers to take the place of one built on pile, contract let to Thomas Foss for \$599.00.

1849, voted to give a guarantee to Charles Leonard and others for 6% on a bridge across Taunton Bay if the other towns would, the cost of bridge not to exceed \$20,000.

1850, the above vote was reconsidered.

Special meeting held Sept. 28, 1834, to see what method the town will take for the support of Rhoda Gott. It was voted to sell Rhoda Gott to the lowest bidder; to be taken from said bidder when the Selectmen see fit, and the said bidder may give her up when they see fit by applying to the Selectmen. Said Rhoda to be sold for the benefit of the town that may be holden for her support. Sold said Rhoda to Thomas G. Lancaster for seven shillings per week.

1834, voted to put the law in force respecting swine running at large.

At a town meeting held April 30, 1838, to see what time the mail shall arrive at the office, voted that the mail shall arrive at the office on Thursdays at four o'clock in the afternoon.

1845, voted to raise a committee whose duty it shall be to suppress the sale of ardent spirits as the law directs, voted that it is not necessary to sell ardent spirits in this town, whether for medical purposes, entertainment or refreshment; chose G. W. Buckmore, Ephriam Crabtree and John D. McFarland.





## LIST OF TOWN OFFICERS, 1828-1928

	<i>Moderator</i>	<i>Town Clerk</i>	<i>Treasurer</i>	<i>Selectmen</i>
1828	William Young	Robert Mercer	Summers Wooster	Robert Mercer John Stratton William Young Asa Crabtree William Young John Gogins Lemuel Crabtree John Butler Agreen Crabtree Lemuel Crabtree Agreen Crabtree Stephen Joy John Butler John Stratton Agreen Crabtree Agreen Crabtree Nathan Butler T. G. Lancaster Agreen Crabtree John Butler Calvin Berry John Butler Geo. Crabtree Calvin Berry
1829	William Young	Robert Mercer	Summers Wooster	
1830	William Young	Robert Mercer	Summers Wooster	
1831	Eliphlet Pettingill	Robert Mercer	Summers Wooster	
1832	Joseph Crabtree	Robert Mercer	Summers Wooster	
1833	Eliphlet Pettingill	Calvin Berry	Summers Wooster	
1834	Eliphlet Pettingill	Calvin Berry	Summers Wooster	
1835	Agreen Crabtree	Calvin Berry	Summers Wooster	





	<i>Moderator</i>	<i>Town Clerk</i>	<i>Treasurer</i>	<i>Selectmen</i>
1836	Eliphlet Pettingill	Calvin Berry	Calvin Berry	Agreen Crabtree Thos. Lancaster John Butler John Butler Calvin Berry Isiah Googins Joseph Crabtree Martin Stratton Ebenezer Clark Agreen Crabtree Ephriam Crabtree J. B. Wooster Agreen Crabtree E. Crabtree J. B. Wooster Asa Googins I. H. Foss John Milliken Asa Googins Martin Stratton John Moon E. Crabtree J. B. Wooster Roger Springer
1837	Wm. McFarland	Ivory H. Foss	Thomas Foss	
1838	Eliphlet Pettingill	Martin Stratton	Summers Wooster	
1839	William Young	R. Y. Watson	Summers Wooster	
1840	John Milliken	R. Y. Watson	R. Y. Watson	
1841	William Young	Leonard Wooster	I. H. Foss	
1842	Agreen Crabtree	R. Y. Watson	Summers Wooster	
1843	David McFarland	R. Y. Watson	Samuel Stratton	



	<i>Moderator</i>	<i>Town Clerk</i>	<i>Treasurer</i>	<i>Selectmen</i>
1844	Eliphlet Pettingill	R. Y. Watson	J. B. Wooster	E. Crabtree Nat'l McFarland Martin Stratton Martin Stratton Nat'l McFarland Leonard Wooster Martin Stratton John Milliken Isiah Googins E. Pettingill Meltiah Young Isiah Googins I. H. Foss Calvin Berry Roger Springer Martin Stratton Roger Springer E. Pettingill E. Pettingill Meltiah Young Edw'd Pettingill E. Pettingill Calvin Berry Thos. Curry
1845	E. Crabtree	R. Y. Watson	Samuel Stratton	
1846	John Milliken	R. Y. Watson	Samuel Stratton	
1847	E. Pettingill	R. Y. Watson	R. B. Abbot	
1848	John Milliken	R. Y. Watson	R. B. Abbot	
1849	John Milliken	R. Y. Watson	Lemuel Crabtree	
1850	John Milliken	R. Y. Watson	Lemuel Crabtree	
1851	William Young	E. Pettingill	Lemuel Crabtree	





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1852	John Milliken	E. Pettingill	Isiah Googins	E. Pettingill Thos. Curry Jerome Pomroy
1853	John Milliken	E. Pettingill	Thos. Curry	E. Pettingill Martin Stratton Jas. McFarland
1854	John Milliken	E. Pettingill	Thos. Curry	E. Pettingill Thos. Curry Jas. McFarland
1855	John Milliken	E. Pettingill	Thos. Curry	Calvin Berry Lewis Springer Asa Wasgat
1856	John Milliken	R. H. B. Moon	L. Crabtree, Jr.	E. Pettingill Asa Wasgat O. W. Young
1857	John Milliken	E. Pettingill	L. Crabtree, Jr.	O. W. Young R. H. B. Moon Samuel Stratton
1858	S. N. McFarland	E. Pettingill	E. Stratton, 2nd	John Milliken S. N. McFarland Thos Curry
1859	R. H. B. Moon	Warren Stratton	Lewis Springer	John Milliken O. W. Young Samuel Stratton





<i>Moderator</i>	<i>Town Clerk</i>	<i>Treasurer</i>	<i>Selectmen</i>
1860 John Milliken	Warren Stratton	P. Moore	S. N. McFarland Wm. Hutchins Samuel Stratton John Milliken Wm. Hutchins John Ball John Milliken E. Crabtree Warren Stratton R. H. B. Moon Nat'l McFarland R. M. Young John Milliken R. M. Young G. L. Joy John Milliken R. M. Young W. S. Hodgkins John Milliken Samuel Stratton Warren Stratton John Milliken Samuel Stratton Wm. Hutchins
1861 John Milliken	Warren Stratton	P. Moore	
1862 John Milliken	E. L. Stratton	E. Pettingill	
1863 R. H. B. Moon	Warren Stratton	E. Pettingill	
1864 John Milliken	Warren Stratton	E. Pettingill	
1865 John Milliken	E. L. Stratton	M. E. Pettingill	
1866 John Milliken	E. L. Stratton	M. E. Pettingill	
1867 John Milliken	E. L. Stratton	M. E. Pettingill	



	<i>Moderator</i>	<i>Town Clerk</i>	<i>Treasurer</i>	<i>Selectmen</i>
1868	John Milliken	Samuel Stratton	M. E. Pettingill	John Milliken Luther Phillips O. W. Foss
1869	John Milliken	E. L. Stratton	E. L. Stratton	Wm. Hutchins Luther Phillips O. W. Foss
1870	R. H. B. Moon	E. L. Stratton	E. L. Stratton	Wm. Hutchins Samuel Stratton O. W. Foss
1871	Samuel Stratton	E. L. Stratton	E. L. Stratton	Calvin Berry Samuel Stratton Geo. B. Springer
1872	R. H. B. Moon	E. L. Stratton	E. L. Stratton	Samuel Stratton E. L. Stratton Warren Stratton
1873	John Milliken	E. L. Stratton	E. L. Stratton	Samuel Stratton E. L. Stratton F. I. Phillips
1874	John Milliken	E. L. Stratton	E. L. Stratton	John Milliken A. B. Crabtree E. L. Stratton
1875	Samuel Stratton	E. L. Stratton	Calvin Berry	S. N. McFarland L. C. Abbot Livy Penny





	<i>Moderator</i>	<i>Town Clerk</i>	<i>Treasurer</i>	<i>Selectmen</i>
1876	Samuel Stratton	Leonard Wooster	Calvin Berry	S. N. McFarland L. C. Abbot Livy Penny Eph. Crabtree E. L. Stratton L. C. Abbot E. L. Stratton Samuel Stratton R. H. Young E. L. Stratton T. J. Hodgkins J. M. Butler E. L. Stratton J. M. Butler Eleazier Crabtree E. L. Stratton J. M. Butler Eph. Crabtree E. L. Stratton J. M. Butler R. I. Wooster R. I. Wooster Samuel Stratton Geo. P. Cline
1877	Samuel Stratton	Leonard Wooster	E. L. Stratton	
1878	H. C. Milliken	O. L. Crabtree	E. L. Stratton	
1879	John Milliken	Leonard Wooster	E. L. Stratton	
1880	S. N. McFarland	Jere Stratton	E. L. Stratton	
1881	Samuel Stratton	Jere Stratton	E. L. Stratton	
1882	Leonard Wooster	Jere Stratton	E. L. Stratton	
1883	Leonard Wooster	Jere Stratton	E. L. Stratton	





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1884	Alfred B. Crabtree	Jere Stratton	E. L. Stratton	A. B. Crabtree R. I. Wooster Samuel Stratton
1885	Alfred B. Crabtree	Jere Stratton	E. L. Stratton	A. B. Crabtree E. L. Stratton
1886	Alfred B. Crabtree	Jere Stratton	E. L. Stratton	Fred I. Phillips A. B. Crabtree Jere Stratton
1887	Alfred B. Crabtree	H. C. Crabtree	E. L. Stratton	W. W. Jellison Jere Stratton E. L. Stratton
1888	Alfred B. Crabtree	H. C. Crabtree	E. L. Stratton	Roland H. Moon Jere Stratton E. L. Stratton
1889	Alfred B. Crabtree	H. C. Crabtree	E. L. Stratton	Roland H. Moon Jere Stratton C. H. Wooster
1890	Leonard Wooster	H. C. Crabtree	E. L. Stratton	H. C. Milliken E. L. Stratton R. H. Moon
1891	Alfred B. Crabtree	H. C. Crabtree	E. L. Stratton	C. A. Penny E. L. Stratton R. H. Moon C. A. Penny



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1892	H. C. Milliken	C. B. Young	Alfred B. Crabtree	E. L. Stratton R. H. Moon A. P. Foss
1893	H. C. Milliken	E. L. Stratton	Alfred B. Crabtree	E. L. Stratton Jere Stratton E. L. Kingman
1894	H. C. Milliken	H. C. Crabtree	Alfred B. Crabtree	Jere Stratton E. L. Kingman W. W. Jellison
1895	Alfred B. Crabtree	H. C. Crabtree	Alfred B. Crabtree	Jere Stratton H. C. Crabtree R. H. Young
1896	H. C. Milliken	H. C. Crabtree	E. L. Stratton	Jere Stratton E. L. Kingman R. H. Young
1897	R. I. Wooster	H. C. Crabtree	Alfred B. Crabtree	Jere Stratton H. C. Crabtree H. A. Butler
1898	R. I. Wooster	H. C. Crabtree	Alfred B. Crabtree	A. B. Crabtree Jere Stratton H. A. Butler
1899	H. C. Milliken	H. C. Crabtree	Alfred B. Crabtree	W. W. Jellison E. W. Wooster I. McFarland





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1900	H. C. Milliken	H. C. Crabtree	Alfred B. Crabtree	W. W. Jellison Jere Stratton J. P. Walker
1901	Alfred B. Crabtree	H. C. Crabtree	Alfred B. Crabtree	W. W. Jellison Jere Stratton J. P. Walker
1902	Alfred B. Crabtree	H. C. Crabtree	Alfred B. Crabtree	W. W. Jellison C. B. Young Geo. B. Bridges
1903	Henry C. Milliken	H. C. Crabtree	Alfred B. Crabtree	W. W. Jellison Jere Stratton H. A. Butler
1904	O. W. Foss	H. C. Crabtree	Alfred B. Crabtree	O. W. Foss Jere Stratton Geo. L. Stewart
1905	O. W. Foss	H. C. Crabtree	Alfred B. Crabtree	C. H. Wooster Geo. L. Stewart J. R. Stratton
1906	O. W. Foss	H. C. Crabtree	Alfred B. Crabtree	C. H. Wooster W. H. Ball H. A. Butler
1907	O. W. Foss	H. C. Crabtree	Alfred B. Crabtree	C. H. Wooster W. H. Ball H. A. Butler





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1908	O. W. Foss	H. C. Crabtree	Alfred B. Crabtree	C. H. Wooster W. H. Ball H. A. Butler C. B. Young F. E. Milliken G. A. Martin C. B. Young F. E. Milliken C. W. Stratton F. E. Milliken C. W. Stratton A. W. Jellison C. W. Stratton Geo. A. Martin I. H. Foss C. W. Stratton Geo. A. Martin I. H. Foss Geo. A. Martin Geo. B. Bridges A. E. Crabtree I. H. Foss A. E. Crabtree Geo. B. Bridges
1909	Fred E. Milliken	H. C. Crabtree	Alfred B. Crabtree	
1910	Fred E. Milliken	H. C. Crabtree	Alfred B. Crabtree	
1911	O. W. Foss	H. C. Crabtree	Alfred B. Crabtree	
1912	O. W. Foss	H. C. Crabtree	Alfred B. Crabtree	
1913	O. W. Foss	H. C. Crabtree	Alfred B. Crabtree	
1914	O. W. Foss	H. C. Crabtree	Alfred B. Crabtree	
1915	O. W. Foss	Oscar L. Crabtree	Alfred B. Crabtree	



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1916 O. W. Foss	Oscar L. Crabtree	Alfred B. Crabtree	I. H. Foss W. H. Ball Geo. B. Bridges
1917 O. W. Foss	Oscar L. Crabtree	Alfred B. Crabtree	A. E. Crabtree A. W. Jellison I. W. Peaslee
1918 F. E. Milliken	Oscar L. Crabtree	Alfred B. Crabtree	A. I. Foss W. H. Ball I. W. Peaslee
1919 O. W. Foss	Oscar L. Crabtree	Alfred B. Crabtree	F. E. Milliken G. A. Martin H. W. Young
1920 O. W. Foss	Alfred E. Crabtree	Alfred B. Crabtree	H. W. Young F. E. Milliken E. H. Hodgkins
1921 O. W. Foss	Alfred E. Crabtree	Alfred B. Crabtree	I. H. Foss E. J. Gott E. W. Grant
1922 O. W. Foss	Alfred E. Crabtree	Alfred B. Crabtree	I. H. Foss E. W. Grant W. E. Foss
1923 O. W. Foss	Clara F. Johnson	Alfred B. Crabtree	I. H. Foss E. W. Grant W. E. Foss





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1924 F. E. Milliken	Clara F. Johnson	Alfred B. Crabtree	L. B. Crabtree C. W. Stratton W. W. Gallison
1925 Aug. I. Foss	Clara F. Johnson	Alfred B. Crabtree	I. H. Foss W. W. Gallison
1926 Aug. I. Foss	Clara F. Johnson	Alfred B. Crabtree	R. L. Stratton I. H. Foss R. L. Stratton
1927 Aug. I. Foss	Leroy B. Crabtree	Alfred B. Crabtree	H. L. Bennett I. H. Foss H. W. Johnston
1928 Aug. I. Foss	Leroy B. Crabtree	Alfred B. Crabtree	H. L. Bennett I. H. Foss H. W. Johnston F. E. Milliken





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IN WARRANT FOR TOWN MEETING FOR  
MARCH 14, 1927

Article 36. To see what action the town will take in regard to the observance of its Centennial.

(The town was incorporated Feb. 21, 1828.)

At the meeting: Article 36—Voted that Alfred E. Crabtree be appointed chairman of a committee and have power to appoint others. He appointed:

Nancy A. Young.

Clara F. Johnson.

Hattie B. Martin.

Chester W. Stratton.

Howard W. Young.

At a meeting of this committee, the following officers were elected:

Alfred E. Crabtree, Chairman.

Clara F. Johnston, Secretary.

Chester W. Stratton, Treasurer.

Nancy A. Young, Historian.

Hattie B. Martin, Program.

Howard W. Young, Publicity.

A program for the observance of Hancock's Centennial was formulated, in which were plans for the Birthday Party on Feb. 21, 1928, an Old Home Week in the following summer, and the committee undertook the task of filling in the land adjoining the Monument lot, which land was given to the town at this time by Mrs. Ellen B. Crabtree. Subscriptions were received for the following amounts: H. G. Foss, \$500; P. W. Thorsen, \$500; Mrs. Lillian Foss Worthen, \$100; Mrs. Edith Foss Kelly, \$100; three women's clubs, \$25; the Misses Austin, articles to be sold whose value has not been determined. An entertainment in the summer netted \$75, and with labor and gravel donated by the citizens this lot has been graded



and will be when completed a spot of beauty. C. B. and Howard W. Young had charge of this work.

Late in the year, Mrs. Young finding herself unable to carry on the historian's part, Alfred B. Crabtree was elected to fill the vacancy.

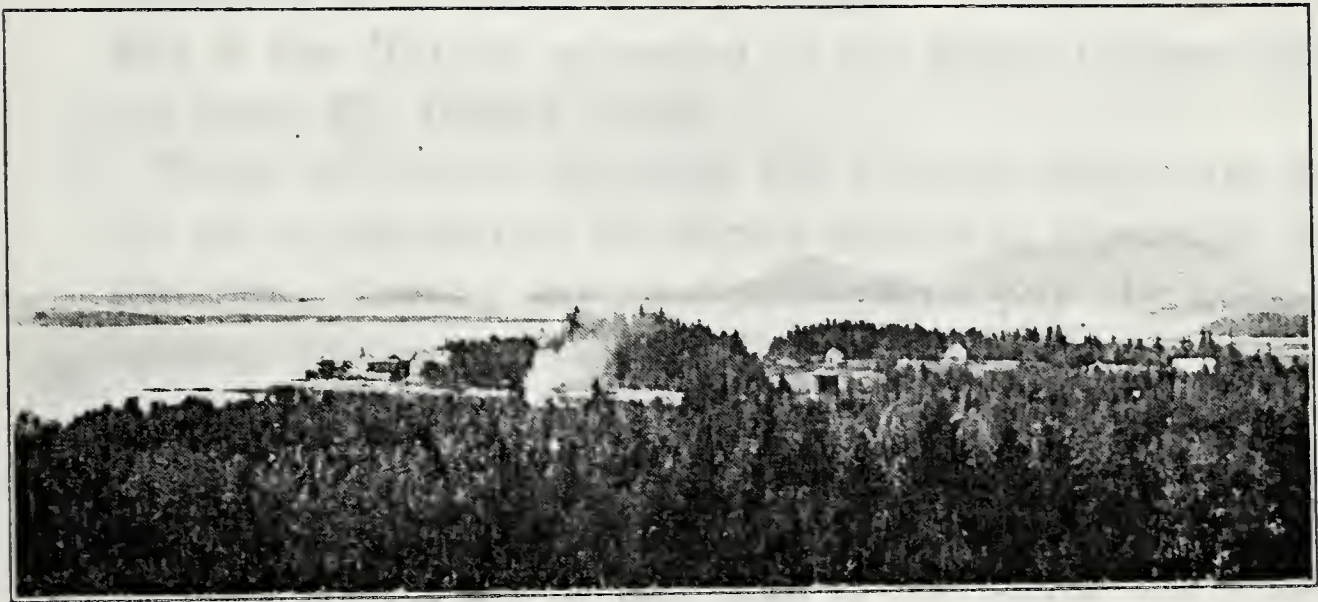
The Birthday Party was carried out as planned and proved to be all that the committee had anticipated. At the annual town meeting in March, 1928, an appropriation of \$1000 was made for the observance of Old Home Week to be held the week of July 4th, 1928.





## HANCOCK

Nine miles S. E. of Ellsworth. Made up from parts of Sullivan, No. 8, and Trenton. Incorporated 17th town (in county) February 21, 1828. This town has a larger proportion of arable land than any other town in the county, and the people are noted for their general material prosperity. The people of this town, to quite an extent, engage in the Grand Banks fishing. Crabtree's Neck is attracting considerable attention as a pleasant and healthful



VIEW FROM GRANT'S HILL

summer resort. Population, 1850, 960; 1860, 926; 1870, 975; 1880, 1095; Valuation, 1870, \$163,904. Population of No. 8, 15.

FROM COLBY'S ATLAS, 1881

Such is a brief description given by the Atlas, and while true, it gives so little idea of the real attractiveness of the town today, that we are emboldened to add some thoughts of our own to this general description. Blest with all the attributes which make a country town livable, good water,





splendid sea air, land fit for the raising of any native crop, schools, churches, stores, and good roads for the most part; its citizens, industrious and prospering; it may be said to contribute something to the welfare of the county and of the State, as well as being a good town in which to live. Its natural facilities in the way of beautiful scenery have brought here many people who otherwise would have built summer homes elsewhere and surely no one could ask a more diversified landscape, nor one more satisfying to the lover of country life. Hancock is situated on a beautiful peninsula at the ends of which are Hancock Point and Mt. Desert Ferry, the terminus of the Bar Harbor branch of the M. C. R. R. Across the Taunton River is Sullivan, connected with Hancock by a bridge. Across Frenchman's Bay is Bar Harbor connected by the Maine Central steamers from Mt. Desert Ferry.

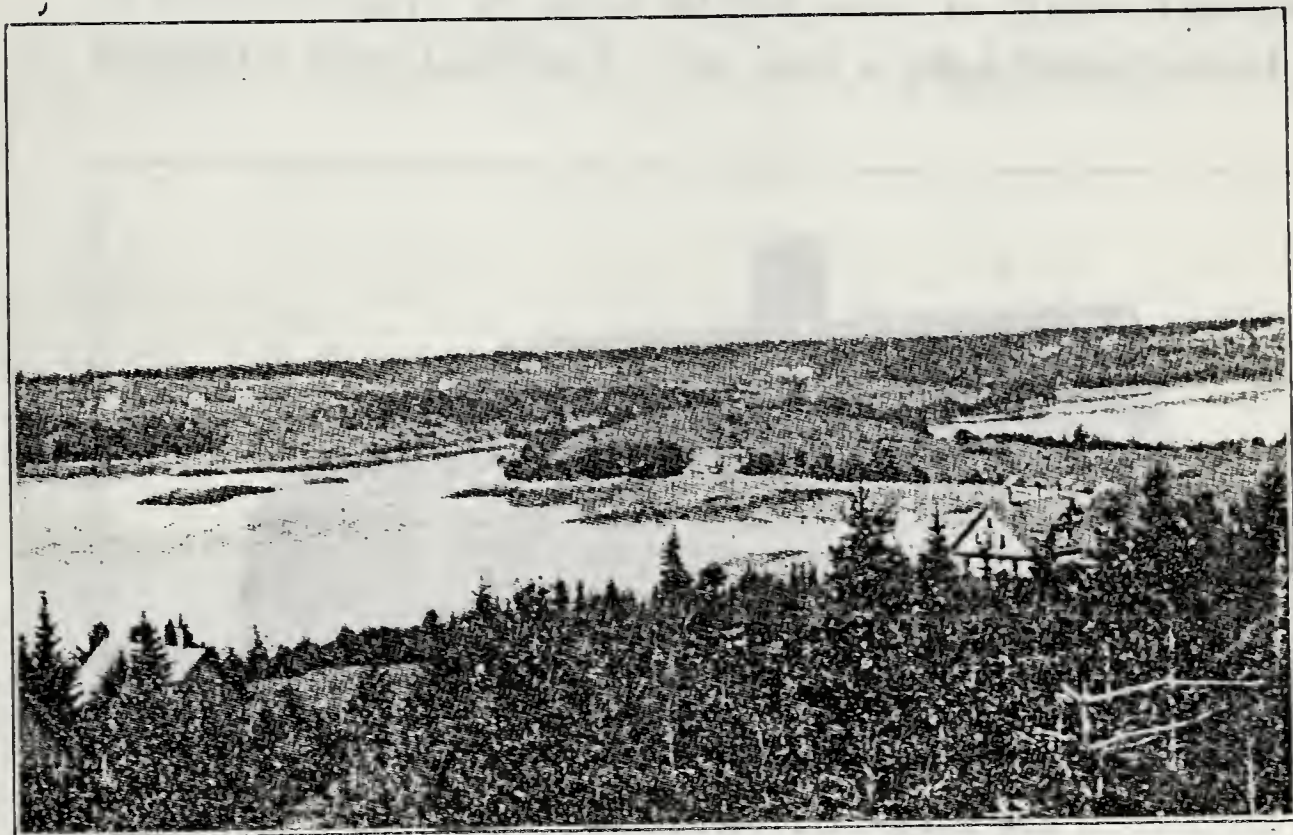
From whichever direction the traveler enters the town his eye is charmed by the varied aspects of mountain, shore and sea. Coming across Frenchman's Bay the colony of summer homes on Hancock Point first meets the eye, and nearby the lighthouse on Crabtree's Ledge; Beans Island, and back of that Sorrento, which is said to rival its Italian namesake in scenic beauty. Schoodic Mountain overlooks the placid expanse of bay, and if we follow the river to Sullivan, we will see the largest salt water falls in the world. Here is the natural outlet for the waters of Taunton Bay, and while the falls are navigable for large vessels at high tide, at the ebb they present a magnificent scene. Coming from the east a fine view of the water between Sullivan and Hancock is had from the main highway, and if we turn left after crossing the bridge and proceed towards Mt. Desert Ferry we come to Grant's Hill. From here the land terrace descends sharply to the sea-water many feet below. A mountain range is seen in the south, overlooking the several summer colonies on Mt. Desert





Island. At the moment the atmosphere is peaceful and restful, the water ripples and sparkles; the distant steamboat followed by a trail of smoke, ploughs its course swiftly and gracefully towards its destination.

Approaching the town from Ellsworth, after leaving the cement road, a piece of tarred highway takes us through the Thorsen Farm, with its modern dairy barn, and the sight of some eighty cows grazing in the fertile pastures



SULLIVAN FALLS

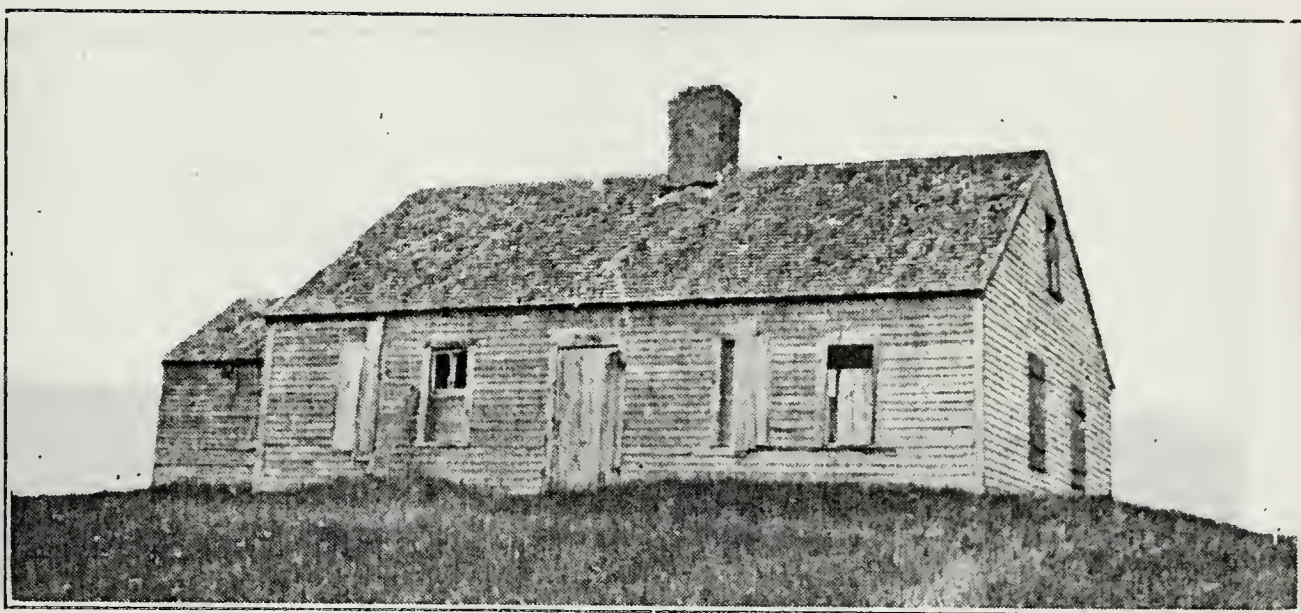
on a summer morning is one not soon forgotten. Nearby is the Shute house, one of the old residences, and on top of McFarland's Hill stands the ancestral home of the McFarland family, now unoccupied but standing like a sentinel, its rugged timbers defying the winds to level it. Built in 1814 it is the oldest house standing in its original form in the town today. Near it is the house now occupied by Arthur Graves, and one owned by Mrs. Butterfield, formerly the Thomas Curry place, both nearly one hundred years old. In this locality was the Buckmore Inn, a his-





tory of which we have received from Mrs. H. F. Wooster, a former resident, and which we print as she wrote it:

"The Buckmore Inn stands (what is left of it) on the brow of the hill west of Killkenny stream. The first owner of this land was Antoine de la Motte Cadillac; granted to him in 1686, by Louis XIV of France, together with 160,000 acres on the Atlantic coast. This grant was later ceded to England. One hundred years later the Commonwealth of Massachusetts granted 60,000 acres to Marie Therese de Gregoire (nee Cadillac), who was a granddaughter of An-



McFARLAND HOUSE, 114 YEARS OLD

toine, including one-half of Mt. Desert Island, and you will find her signature on the old deeds of land in Hancock.

"The one hundred-acre lot where the old Inn stands was first bought by the McFarlands; they sold to Mr. Abner Lee. Mr. George Buckmore of Ellsworth bought of Lee, and built the Inn, which was the first Tavern built between Cherryfield and Ellsworth, and at that time contained seventeen rooms, there were several sheds, two barns and a blacksmith shop on the place. Mr. Buckmore also owned a sawmill and a grist-mill, situated on Killkenny stream. He sold to Mr. Thomas Graves in February, 1847. Mr.





Graves was a descendant of Cadillac, who was the first owner of the land. Mr. Graves sold to his sons Edward and Frederic, in 1868. Several years later they sold to Mr. Henry Butler, who with his wife Mary (Joy) Butler, lived and died there. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Scribner now own the old Inn, Mrs. Scribner being a great granddaughter of Mr. Abner Lee who built the first cabin on the place.

"Thus history repeats itself, connected with this portion of creation. Mrs. Frances Burnette who owns a cottage on Hancock Point (another of the old residences) is a



VIEW FROM THORSEN ROAD

granddaughter of Mr. George Buckmore." H. F. W.

At the foot of McFarlands Hill is Ishka Spring, noted for its pure water which has been bottled and shipped to many parts of the world.

From the federal road around the hill is a wonderful view of the Mt. Desert hills and Skillings River, the land lying, in the river, in such a manner as to lead strangers to believe that here are lakes, and at Killkenny it is only at low tide that this semblance is missing. At this point Killkenny Stream divides a short distance above, and two lovely brooks dash over the rocks on their way to the sea.

On the road to Franklin, one gets a glimpse of Egypt





Bay; near here, the Austin Farm is situated and it holds an unusual attraction in the form of a stone house, from whose tower is a view of the surrounding country limited only on a clear day by one's range of vision.

From Marlboro is a glorious unobstructed view of Frenchman's Bay and the islands at its entrance, and at night the flashing light of Egg Rock is plainly seen.

From Carrying Place hill is another glimpse of water with Sullivan and Schoodic Mountain in the background,



SCHOODIC MOUNTAIN

and the shifting lights and shadows at sunset are at once the envy and despair of the artist.

On the road to Hancock Point are several splendid views of river and mountain, and from both lobster pounds the scenery is unrivaled. Everywhere are the varied shades of evergreen and leafy trees, and in the autumn season, this beauty is multiplied many times.

The situation is such that nowhere is monotony, the hills and valleys, fields and forests, sea and distant mountains all blending into one great picture which charms the eye,





and which presents so many different aspects that the beholder can never tire. Strangers stop to exclaim over these beauties, and we who have beheld them all our lives believe there are none fairer.

The Grand Banks Fishing is an industry of the past, and the fleet of schooners together with the wharves at which they discharged their cargoes have long ago vanished from sight. The Stinson lobster pound is situated



EAST SHORE, HANCOCK POINT

where the Jeremiah Wooster wharf once stood; some old bolts and rings in the ledges are all that is left to mark the spot. And the "punkin pines" for which our ancestors are said to have settled here, are no longer to be seen, having long since gone their way for the fashioning of dwellings and sturdy ships.

Some of the old buildings still serving the present generation are: the Isaac Smith house, 101 years old; the John Wooster house, nearing the century mark; the Barnard Crabtree place; the Watson home, more than 150





years old, and on one of whose rooms is wall paper seventy-five years old, and which numbers among its treasures a beautiful table cloth, for which the flax was gathered in the field, prepared and woven by the women of the household. Other houses now occupied are the two Coats houses on the Shore Drive, one of which has been remodelled into an attractive summer home, and is now owned by Miss Louise Hamlin; the Elwell Jellison house; the Moses Abbott house; a house owned by C. A. Penney; Mrs. Haven's house; and the ell of a house owned by Charles S. Colwell, but now unoccupied, is very old.



SMITH HOUSE

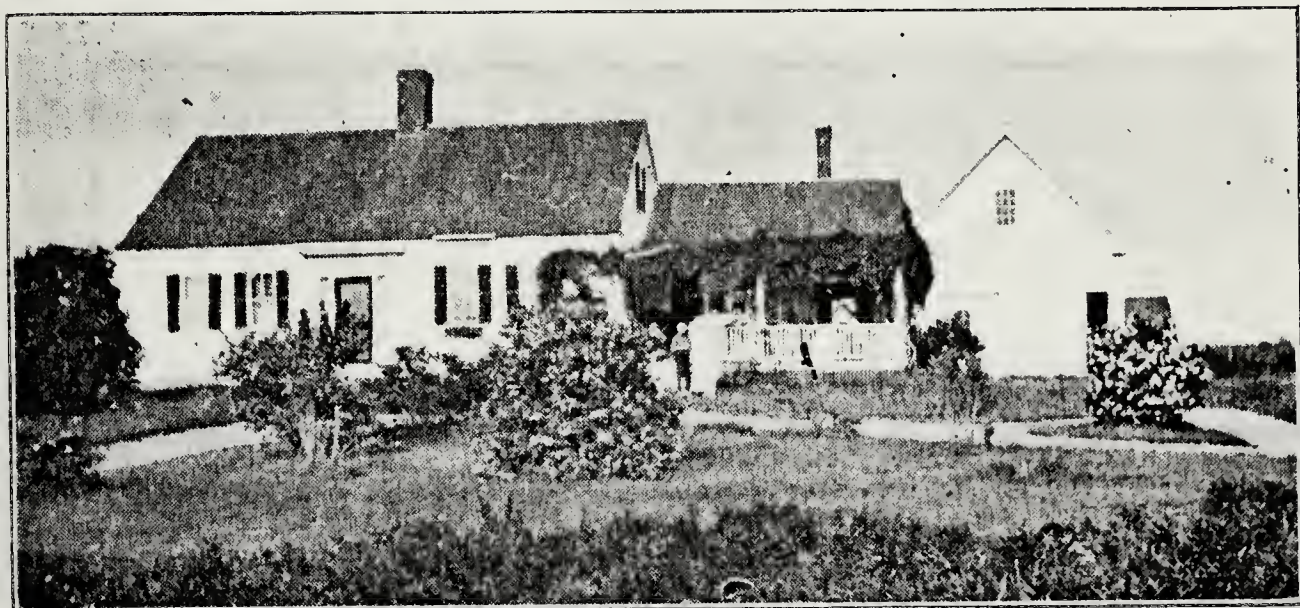
Today all these old homes show the care with which they were built, standing as plumb and sturdy as hewn beams and wrought nails can make them.

Of the old ships (or more properly schooners) built here in early days, no trace remains. The *Laurel* and *Watchman* built in Smith's Creek for the Wooster fishing fleet; the *Grampus*; the *J. H. Butler* built at Butler's Point (now in the town of Franklin); the *Mary Jane Lee* and the *Omaha* at Wooster's shore; the *A. B. Crabtree* which was built at Crabtree's shore on the Taunton River; the *Maria Foss* built in 1849 at Hyde's Point, all these have gone the way of all ships.





Since the coming in 1764 of the good schooner *Betsey*, Captain Agreen Crabtree, master, many vessels have been owned wholly or in part in Hancock, and many of our men have captained them, but at this writing so far as your historian is able to determine, only one, Capt. E. H. Mercer, is still pursuing the old calling. A noteworthy fact in this connection is that the master of the only seven-masted schooner ever built, the *Thomas W. Lawson* was born and lived in childhood in this town. George W. Dow, son of Captain William and Naomi Ober Dow, was commanding the *Lawson* when she went down, and was the only member



WATSON HOUSE

of the crew living. He was thrown ashore by the sea, and clung to a rock for hours; though severely injured, he lived for several years and died at his home in Melrose, Mass.

Burying Island in Taunton Bay, was the scene of ship-building activities, the schooner *D. W. Richards* having been built there, being heavily wooded, and convenient for the building and launching of vessels. On this island are traces of the old Indian settlers, shell mounds and other relics being found here, as well as at Sullivan Falls (the old name Waukeag is an Indian name signifying "a seal"). Another interesting and almost forgotten industry was the





copper and silver mining operations which were carried on in various sections of the town, The Grant, Early Dawn, and McFarland mines on Crabtree's Neck, as it was then called, the Ford mine on the Hodgkins' side of Skillings River, and the Cline, Emmett, Hagan and Custer mines in Egypt. Stock was sold, and a large house, the "Copperopolis" erected at Egypt. The first four named were silver mines, and the others copper, with the exception of the Cline mine, from which both copper and silver were taken. But in all these, ore was not found in sufficient quantities to make the business profitable, and one by one the mines



BURYING ISLAND

were abandoned. The water supply for Hancock Point is now obtained from the McFarland mine.

An industry in West Hancock was the bottling of water from Ishka Spring, which at one time assumed large proportions, but this is now past, together with a cement block plant, which operated in that section for a short time.

One of the Graves brothers invented and manufactured a patent clothespin, which, too, has passed from the market.

Marlboro boasted of a busy sardine factory some thirty-five or more years ago, and about that time, the strawberry





farmers of Hancock Point were sending the finest berries to market. Mr. Livy Penney introduced this industry to the town, which was taken up in turn by E. W. Wooster, W. H. Phillips, H. A. Ball, and others in a smaller way. Mr. Wooster has recently issued his 42nd annual catalogue, and now has the only large acreage of berries in town, operating a fine farm at West Hancock, where he removed some years ago.

A more recent industry was weir-fishing, considerable income being obtained from the sale of herring to the sardine factories.

At present two lobster pounds are the nearest to the



"THE POINTS," MARLBORO

fishing industry which this town can claim, both of these situated in Skillings River, and a source of large revenue.

Poultry farming engages something like a score of residents, and several fine potato and truck farms are carried on, the products of which find a ready market. Hancock may truly be said to be a farming locality, nearly every home having at least its own garden. To show how diversified this farming is, a story was told during the late war, by a guest at supper of a family, which having a son in a German prison, was living on the strictest war rations, but a bountiful supper was served to the guest on this





occasion, everything on the table except the tea, sugar, and the salt and the soda in the bread was grown on the farm. Long noted for its honey, the Austin farm has attracted many visitors, and the Thorsen place deserves more than passing mention. Severence Thorsen owned and operated this farm for years, and after his death, the boyhood dreams of his son, Pearl, were realized in the enlargement of the property, the building of large barns which were stocked with fine Holstein cattle, and this farm



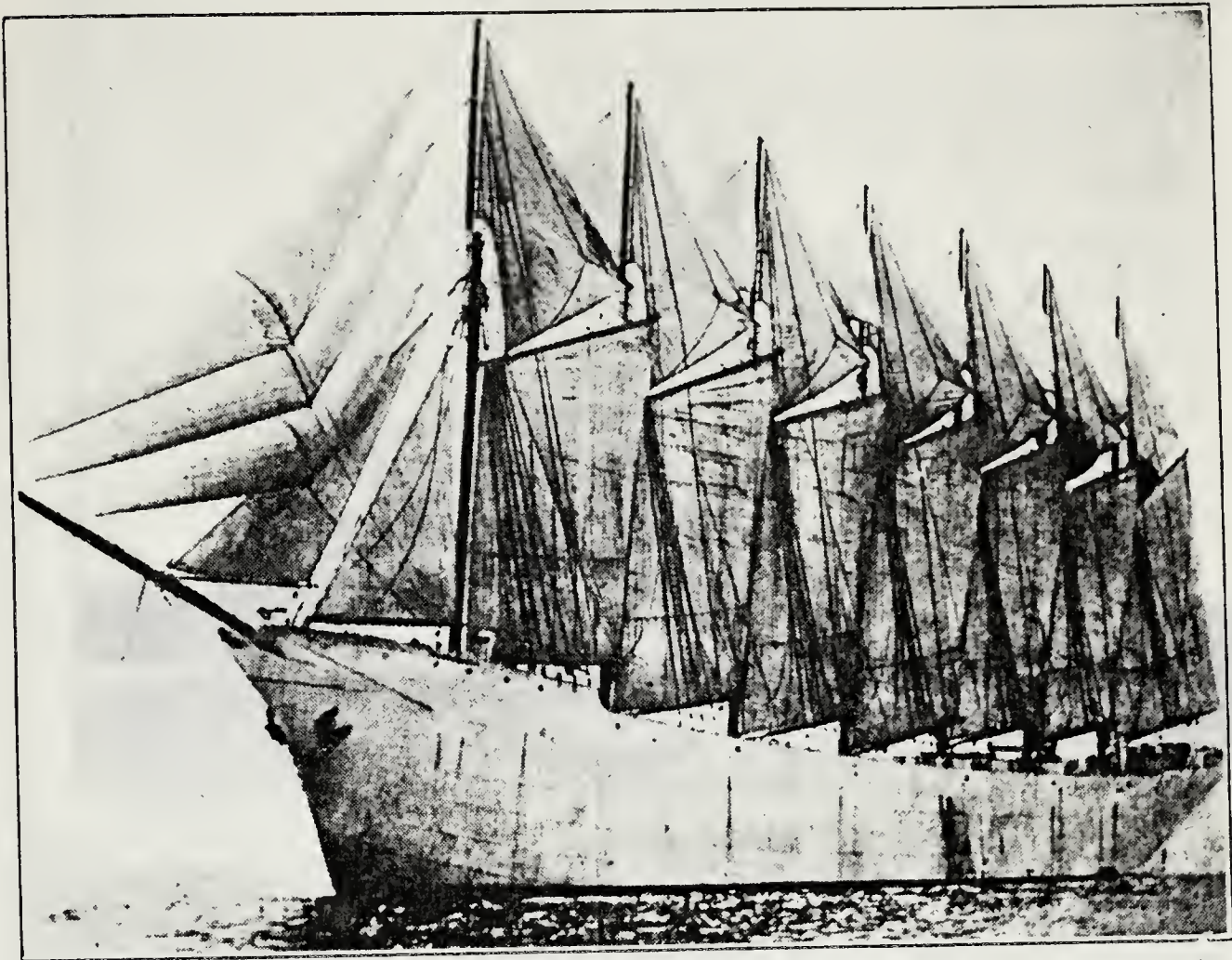
SMITH'S CREEK

is known as the Thorsen Farm and furnishes milk and cream for the ice cream and butter factory in Ellsworth and milk, cream and vegetables for the store, both operated by the Thorsen Farms Products Co.

At Ishka Spring there is a cosy road house. A short distance east we come to the Milliken Farm where one can get one of the best chicken dinners wished for.







SCHOONER "THOS. W. LAWSON"



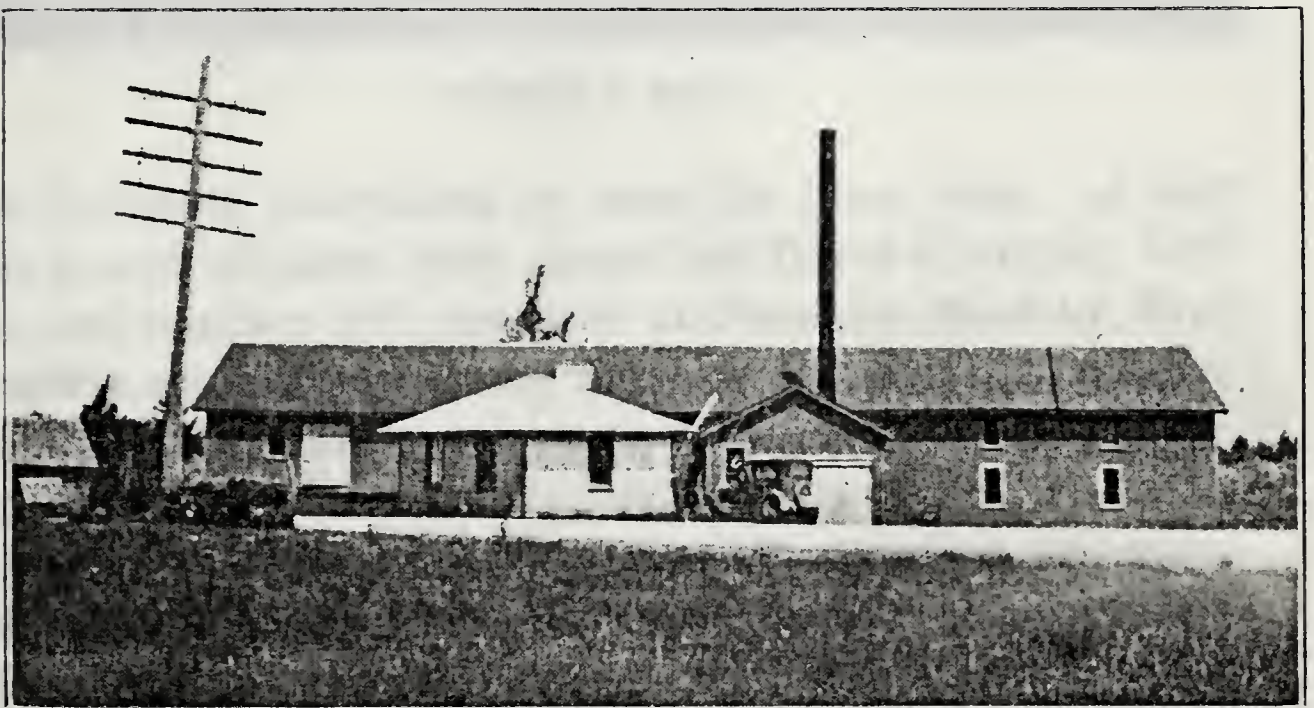
SPRINGER'S MILL







GRANGE STORE



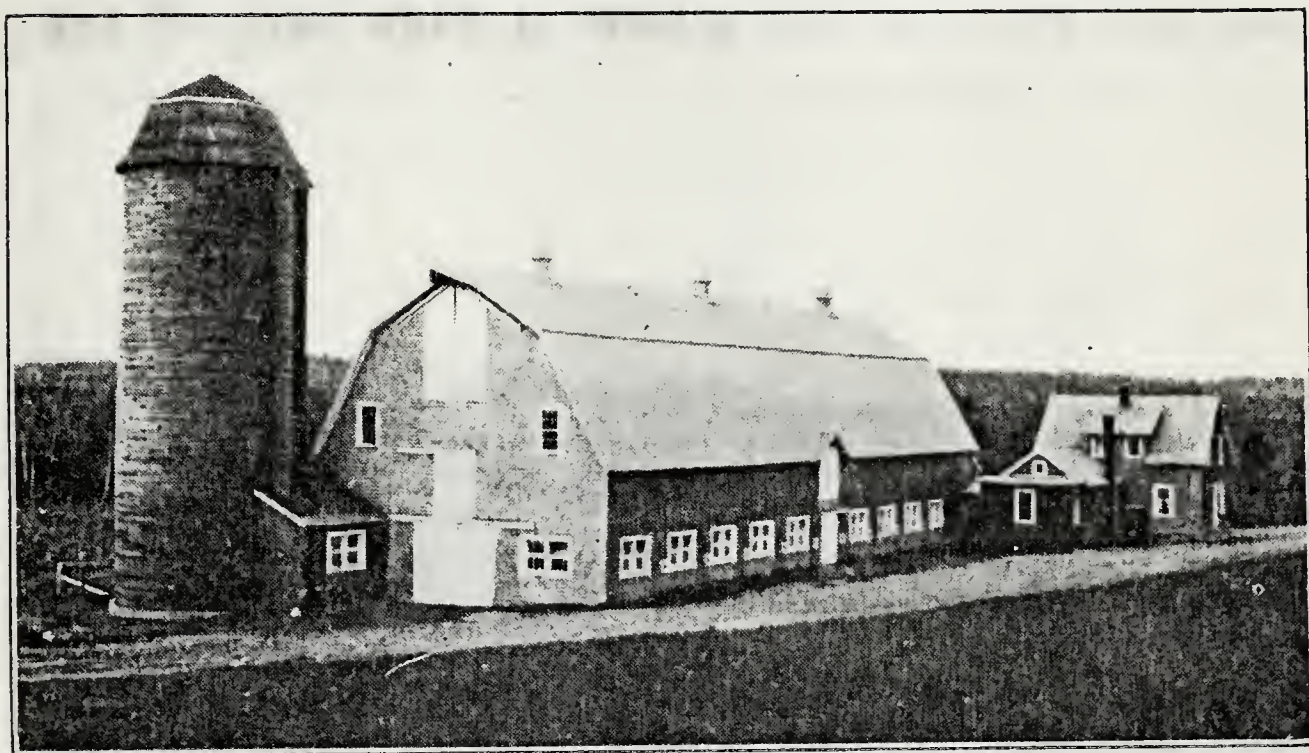
BLUEBERRY FACTORY





At Franklin Road is located the Post Office, with Mrs. Lena Stewart, as the genial postmistress. Here also is located a fine pavilion, in connection with a first-class road house. At C. D. Lounder's are to be seen two overnight cabins.

Further east is the Tip Top House where shore dinners are served, together with ice cream and other delicacies. Adjoining this is a garage operated by H. A. Springer. Just across the way is the shop of Lewis Leland where one



THORSEN'S BARN

can find most everything to feast the inner man. A saw mill is also situated here, owned by David Springer, both this and another mill operated at Franklin Road by Fred Goodwin are motor-powered, and are the only mills in town.

Still further east is the up-to-date garage of H. R. Joy, and near that a modern blacksmith shop owned by Henry W. Johnson, who also sells automobile supplies and gasoline. At the corner we have the Pamola Grange Store where they keep supplies for Grangers as well as for every body else. Nearby is the up-to-date store of Alfred E.

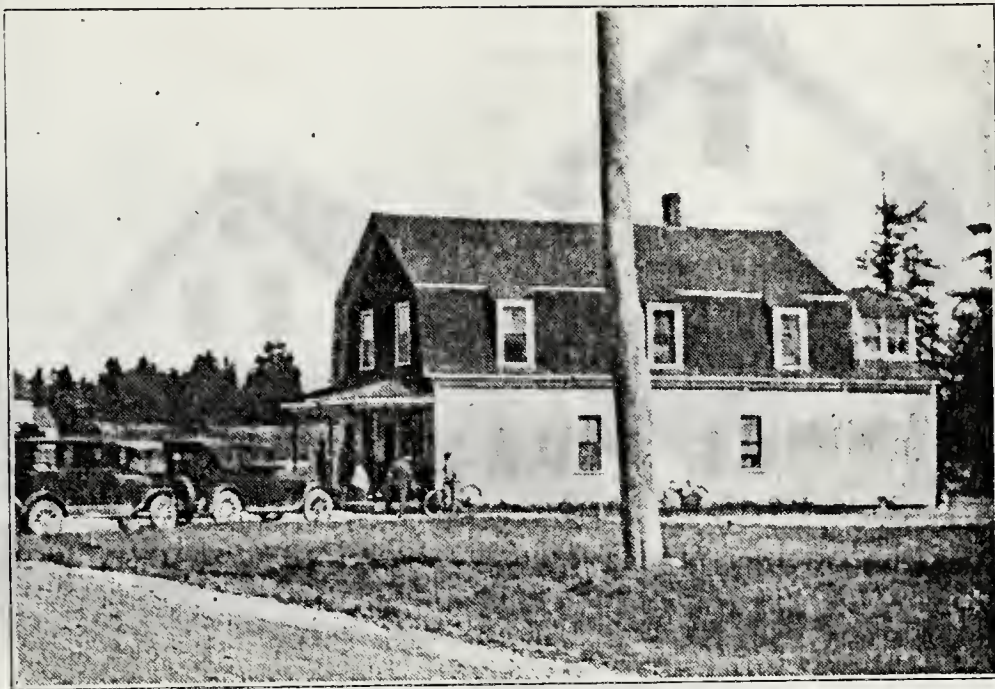




Mrs. Lola Dickson and Reuben Grant, and the Post Office, Mrs. Nellie Grant, postmistress.

At Hancock Point is a summer store owned and operated by Mina B. Young & Son, and here also is situated the post office in the summer season, where Mrs. Lucy Ball acts as assistant postmistress. Colin A. Penney is the postmaster and has the office in his residence eight months in the year. Near here, William W. Gallison is the local dealer in ice, coal and wood.

The boat-building and wood-working shop of George F. Merchant is situated opposite the South Hancock church.



YOUNG'S STORE

At South Hancock, in the home of Crosby Wooster, is situated the post office. Mrs. Wooster has been the efficient custodian of this office for 35 years.

Just above here H. B. Scammon is the agent for electric pumps, and motors of various kinds.

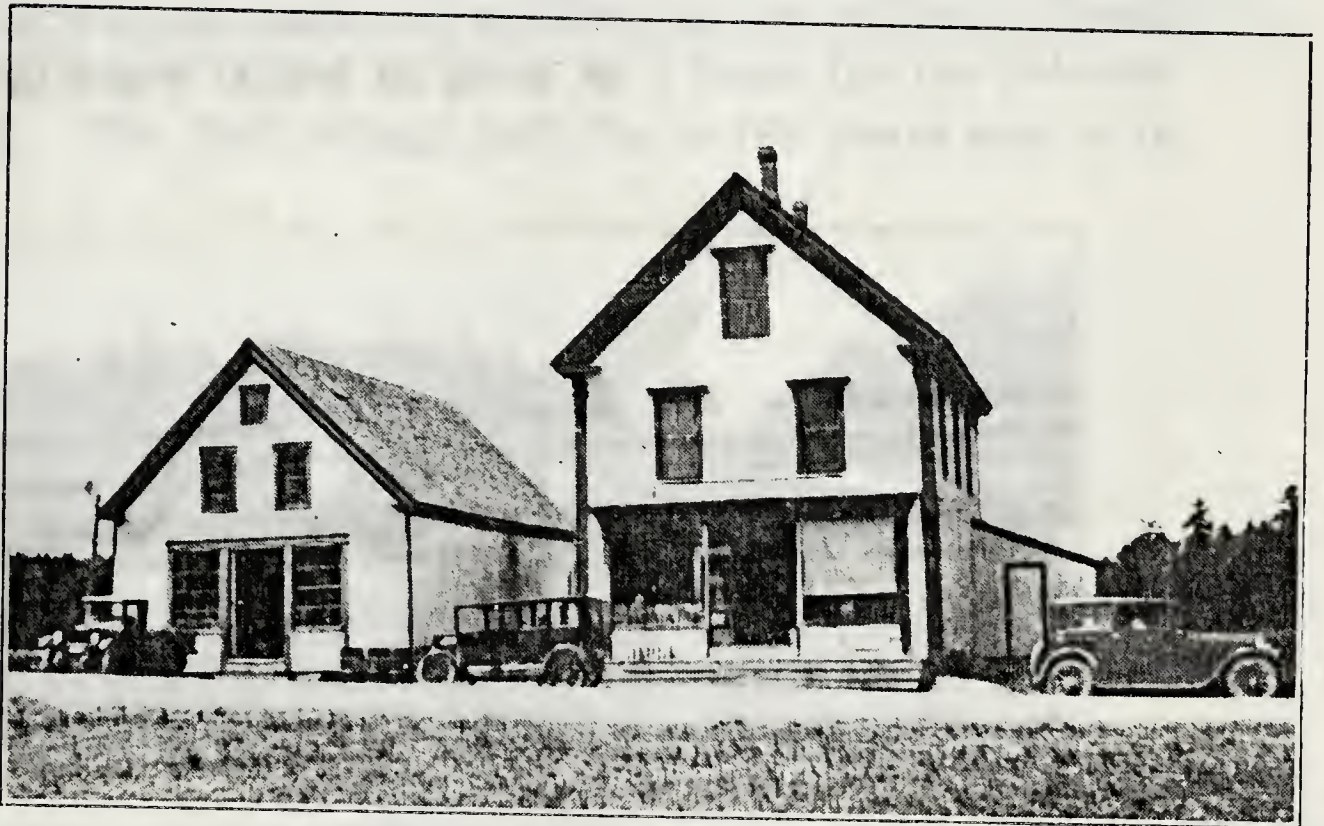
And so we come to the Corner, where is situated the town hall, and school buildings, and which is the center of business and social activities.

The summer colony, starting in the 70's, with the cot-





tages of Mrs. Wing, Rev. F. T. Hazelwood, Henry Whiting and I. S. Johnson, has grown so that now it numbers more than fifty residences on Hancock Point alone, besides others at Marlboro and Mt. Desert Ferry. Mr. S. N. McFarland was largely instrumental in the building up of this section of the town; his hotel (also his residence) at first the McFarland House was afterwards named "The Tarratine" which name it now bears. In 1890, George A. Martin and his wife took possession and were for many years the suc-



CRABTREE'S STORE

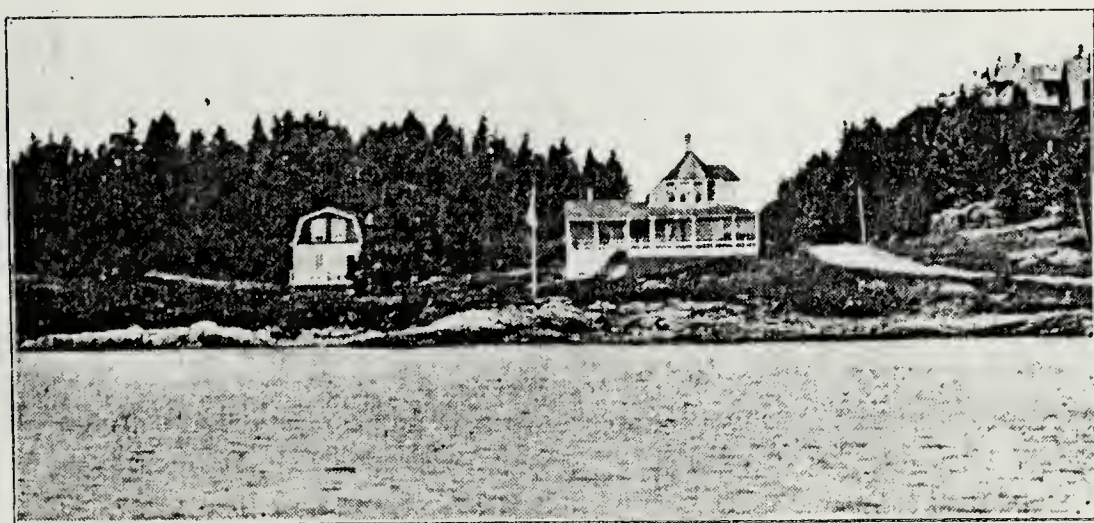
cessful and capable proprietors, until a few years ago, when Mrs. Martin sold the property to Arthur L. Keef who has recently in his turn disposed of it to a syndicate of summer residents. The house has several times been enlarged, to take care of increasing business, and at one time, the Crocker House was pressed into service as an annex. This house was built as a residence by Jones Kelley of Orono, was later enlarged and used for a boarding house.

Among the early summer residents besides those already mentioned, were Isaac Bragg and John Bacon of Bangor,





S. Kidder Whiting, Everard Greeley, and Judge L. A. Emery of Ellsworth, Joseph West and Eugene Swan of Franklin, and somewhat later, Ezra Sterns, and E. and I. K. Stetson of Bangor built large residences. John Nichols of Boston was also one of the early residents, and the house is still occupied as a summer home by his descendants. The home of I. S. Johnson was given to the community for a library, and was moved to its present site, the six-sided building, in its setting of lawn, and shrubbery making a most attractive addition to the colony, a lovely colonial house taking its place as a home for the Johnson family. The Bell cottage built but a few years ago, is in



COTTAGES—MT. DESERT FERRY

the English style, and commands a splendid view of the eastern river and Sorrento.

All the summer places are kept up and afford part-time occupation for a considerable number of town's men.

Hancock Point has a beautiful little chapel, in which are heard noted preachers from many cities. The quiet and lovely situation of this particular spot brings men and women, who seek rest, from their various occupations; artists, musicians, teachers, doctors and many others who have made a name for themselves in their chosen callings. Nicolai Sokoloff has a studio here, where his hours are







TARRATINE HOUSE



LIBRARY



FIGURE 1. THE CITY OF BOSTON

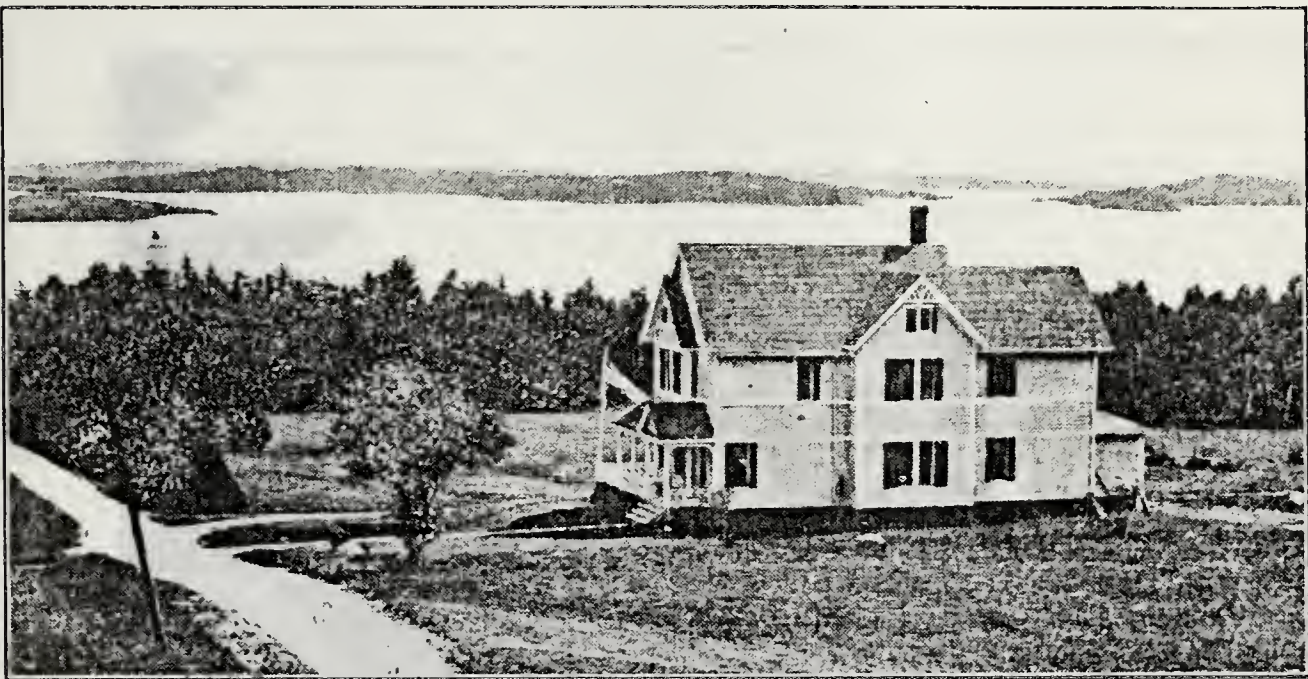


FIGURE 2. THE CITY OF BOSTON



spent in the composition of music; Miss Hope Smith finds the surrounding country rich in scenes, which she transfers to canvas, and so each one finds just what he seeks in this resort.

In Marlboro, the Baxter house is the largest summer residence, and at Mt. Desert Ferry, Miss Franz has recently built a home. A beautiful residence is maintained as an occasional home by Captain and Mrs. Harold G. Foss of



WHITING COTTAGE

Melrose, Mass., who spend all the time possible, in the town of their birth.

Hancock has given to the world men and women in nearly all the professions; an eminent surgeon, seven physicians, three dentists; legislators; bank presidents; masters of sail and steam; artists, teachers and nurses. Today she numbers among her citizens three men over ninety years of age. Rufus H. Young, who has recently passed his ninety-third birthday, is the oldest person in town. Capt. Alonzo Abbott and Mr. Calvin Hutchins are the two others—one ninety-two years of age, the other ninety-one. Mr. Hutchins is one of the two surviving veterans of the Civil War, the other being Mr. Ramon Havey. These men are





keen in intellect, taking great interest in present-day affairs, though somewhat feeble in flesh.

This year Hancock celebrates her 100th birthday. Her past is honorable, her present sound, and of her future we leave the writing to other generations.



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